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New Bedford Nov 5. 1858

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — [illegible] — [illegible] bill [illegible] amount $2870.84 Enclosed — We send you today [illegible] [illegible] Bank for the am^t [illegible] $2842.14 [illegible] please acknowledge and accept our thanks for your attention to our request —

Yours truly
Wm [illegible] Rotch [illegible]

[illegible] Manila [illegible] 9/27 [illegible]

New Bedford 11 mo 5th 1858.

Messrs Glidden & Williams

Gentm

We annex Invoice of the Coils Manila Cordage sent to Boston this day to complete gang for Ship [illegible] which we trust will reach you in season to finish her up.

Yours Resp'y
[illegible]
N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford Nov 1st 1847

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 5th 1850.

Messrs. [illegible] & [illegible]
Boston

We annex invoice of [illegible] Manila Cordage sent to Boston yesterday to complete your order for this [illegible] which we trust will reach you in [illegible] to [illegible]

Yours Resp[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Cordage Co.

New Bedford 11 mo 6th 1850

A. D. Rice Esq
Dear Sir

We enclose Chk on Suffolk Bk Boston for One Hundred twenty three 87/100 Dolls amount due [illegible] less cost [illegible] please send us bill receipted –

We would take One Hundred Bales of the Manila Hemp from Mess Crocker & Sturgis if of good quality at the price named by 9 1/2 [illegible] If it should not be a handsome lot and of good color we do not want it –

Yours Respy
L. A. Plummer
N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 11 mo 7 1850.

Messrs Kendall Richardson & Co
Gentlemen

We annex invoice of Gang No 10 R. which has gone to Boston today with directions to [illegible] & [illegible] to forward at once.

Yours of 5th is at hand – We might get out the gang for the Bark by the last of the month if wanted but could not at any time sooner – We are expecting an order for the Ships gang of which you advised us some time since wanted all this month.

Yours Respy
L. A. Plummer
N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 11 Mo 6th 1850

A. H. Howe Esq

[illegible]

We received [illegible] on our draft at Boston for One Hundred twenty three [illegible] Dolls [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] this receipted –

We [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] & [illegible] of good quality at the price named by [illegible] & if it [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] lot [illegible] of good [illegible] we can [illegible] it –

Yours Respy

[illegible]

New Bedford 11 Mo 7th 1850.

Messrs. [illegible] Richardson & Co

Boston.

[Gents?] We [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] No 10 R. which has gone to Boston [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible].

We [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] – [illegible] the [illegible] for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] – We [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 11 m° 9. 1850.

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Above is Invoice of Coil sent to Boston this day ordered by Telegph by Mr J. Read &c. — We trust it will reach you in due season. We directed Mr Coffin to ship by Sam Tobin — How comes on Ransom's ship are they doing anything about settling the matter!

Yours Respfly

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 11 m° 9. 1850

E. S. Moseley Esq

Dear Sir

We send to Boston to day the Manila Towline ordered — 75 fms 5½" marked M — which we trust will come to hand in season for commencing the ship —

Yours Respfly

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford Nov. 9. 1850

T. W. Walker Esq

Dear Sir

Here is invoice of Coal sent to Boston this day marked by Freight by New L. Road Co.- We trust it will meet your desires. We received the copper to day by the steamer.- Have come in "Rowena" ship. Are they doing anything about sending the invoice?

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Copper Co.

New Bedford Nov. 9. 1850

E. A. Mudge Esq

Dear Sir

We send to Boston to day the Metal Sheathing ordered - 75 sheets $2\frac{1}{2}$ marked M. We think we shall be able to send the same for sheathing the ship -

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Copper Co.

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New Bedford 11 m° 9. 1850.

Messrs. Kendall Richardson & Co
Boston.

We wrote you on the 7th and are this morning in receipt of yours 7th with memoranda Barks gang No 11. wanted immediately - We have made arrangements with one of our customers to whom we had engaged a gang next week to wait until the week after and shall therefore be able to turn out this gang for you in all next week say in season to be shipped from Boston on Saturday next - Please reply by return mail if this will be in time for you & oblige

Yours Respy
L. A. Hammond
N. B. Cordage Co

Is there no worming wanted we do not find any on the mem

Please reply by Telegraph on receipt of this

New Bedford 11 mo. 9. 1856.

Messrs Howard Richardson & Co.
Boston

We wrote you on
the 7th and on this morning rec'd receipt of
yours of 7th with enclosures. [illegible] goes the
11th inst positively. We have made arrange-
-ment with one of our Customers to whom
we have engaged a gang next week to
wait until the week after and shall
therefore be able to turn out this gang for
you. [illegible] next week day via [illegible]
to be shipped from Boston on Saturday
next. Please reply by return mail if this
will be in time for you & oblige

Yours Respectfully
[illegible] & Co

If these are Mechanics wanted
we do not find any or them.

Please reply by Telegraph
on receipt of this

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New Bedford 11 m 12th 50

A. Gibson Jr. Esq

Dear Sir - We have ab[illegible] invoice of [illegible] bails ordered in your favor of 7th inst. We [illegible] [illegible] Express on the 1st inst Twenty two Hundred Dollars to your Cr in Acct. We gave the Express man at the time of receiving the money a receipt in your name which we supposed he would have you or we should have sent by mail.

Yours Respy

L. A. [illegible]

A. B. [illegible]

New Bedford Nov 13. 1858

A. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir - We should be glad to receive the 28 Bales of Manila bought for us from [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] as soon as convenient - & [illegible] [illegible] the quest [illegible] be due -

Yrs Truly

Wm [illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford 11m 12th 50

A. Carey Jr. Esq

Dear Sir — We have this day [illegible] of L[illegible]
only [illegible] we have from [illegible] 17th inst. We take
the Expense on the 1st inst. amounting two Hundred
Dollars to you [illegible] in Acct. We pay the Expense
at the time of receiving the money a receipt [illegible]
your name [illegible] the difference be [illegible] to
you or [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by mail.

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Nov 2 / 58

A Bregant Esq

Dear Sir — [illegible] We cannot very well collect drafts on your place and should be glad if you would remit us a check on New York for the amount due. You say there is a difference of 362 lbs in weight of the Boilers. We had them carefully weighed here & cannot understand it. It would perhaps be fair to divide the difference which is small. If you think so please remit the amount in check on New York. We are much obliged for the information respecting the Accident Insurance. —

Respectfully Yrs

[illegible]

New Bedford 11 mo 12th 1[illegible]

Messrs Glidden & Williams

Gentm

We were informed last evening that Capt Howland was expecting the Manila running rigging for the Sea Serpent to be in Portsmouth Navy Yard — as we have not yet received the memo we write to have it sent along as early as possible — the price for this gang we understand to be 11½ cents — We have nearly completed the gang for the Clipper ship and hope to get it off to you in a few days

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

A. B. Coggeshall

New Bedford Nov 24. 18[illegible]

A D Wells Esq—

Dear Sir— Your fav'r of Friday rec'd—
We will take two hundred Bales per [illegible] [illegible] at 9½ & 4 mos. the price you name as likely to be accepted. Our Cordage & [illegible] [illegible] up for cash.

Yrs truly Wm J Rotch Treas

New Bedford 11 mo 13 [illegible]

Messrs Slocum & Williams
Gents

We were informed last evening that Capt Howland was expecting the Manila running rigging for the Sea Nymph to be in Portsmouth long ago - as we have not yet received the same we write to have it sent along as early as possible - The price for the [illegible] we understand to be [illegible] - We have nearly completed the [illegible] for the [illegible] ship and hope to get it off [illegible]

Thos [illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford Oct 4, 1847
A Rivers Esq
Dear Sir - Your favor 3d [illegible]
We have [illegible] two [illegible] Bales [illegible]
[illegible] at 9½ [illegible] the same [illegible]
[illegible] accepted - [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Nov 4. 1855

A H White Esq

Dear Sir — Your favor of 3d is at hand. In reply we would say that we can furnish a first rate Tarred Russia Cordage better than Hemp & [illegible] sort we would also Manila at 12 1/2 cents deliv'd in 30 days or [illegible] first of January & first of February. We are not in the habit of praising our own Cordage which is it amounts to nothing. It must speak for itself wherever it is used & stand or fall on its own merits alone. But we will say that if we make the Cordage for your friends it shall be equal in any respect to any which can be made in this Country.

Our price for Manila is predicated on the present state of the market —

Yrs truly
Wm R. Rotch Treas.
N Bedford Cordage Co

P.S. With regard to a guarantee we should not wish to pay one preferring in all cases to be satisfied ourselves with the standing of the Parties —

New Bedford Nov 15. 1855

Mess Chaddeny & Bullard(?)

Gents — Received yours of 13th inst with Mem— for Sea Serpents Manila &c &c —. We shall set our [illegible] to work as soon as possible [illegible] as we had not got the Mem— before we supposed there was no hurry about it — The price we have [illegible] have an [illegible] — We [illegible] take any chance of the "Clipper Ship" which went to Boston yesterday — We should like to know how you propose to settle the bills for the [illegible] after the Sea Serpent that we may make our arrangements accordingly —

Resp.

J. H. Rotch Treas.

Our present price for Manila is 13½ [illegible] considerably

New Bedford Nov 15. 1855

A R Whitney Esq

Dear Sir — We wrote you sometime since requesting you to forward a [illegible] & to state in what way it would best suit you to settle the bill due us. Not having heard from you in reply & fearing the letter may have miscarried we now write you again — please reply at your earliest convenience

Respectfully yours

J. H. Rotch Treas.

Messrs Kendall & Richardson New Bedford 11 M^o 15/50

Gentlemen We have received Invoice of Cargo [illegible] sent in to day & have advised Mr Dennis & Lawson of same. We have also bill of Cordage [illegible] Brig Ellen Maria as per order And charge you with the net amt 103/00 6 mos $113.74 which if correct please make your entries to conform —

Yours Respy
L. A. Plummer
N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 11 mo 12. 18[illegible]

M. Crosby Jr. Esq
Dear Sir

Your favor of 13th inst received for Manila [illegible] [illegible] Sometime [illegible] before [illegible]. Please [illegible] make then [illegible] [illegible] three or four Strands [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] we will get it out for you as soon after receipt of your reply as possible.

Our price for Manila Cordage is now 12 by the quantity. Manila Hemp is selling at 10c per lb in New York & not a Bale in first hands in Boston. Should the ships from Manila not arrive in all this month a further advance may be expected.

Yours Respy
L. A. Plummer
N. B. Cordage Co

Messrs [illegible] New Bedford 11 Mo. 16/50

Gentlemen. We have received yours of the 11 inst. to day & have advised Mr. [illegible] of same. We have also [illegible] of [illegible] Ellen Maria as per note [illegible] your a/c with the net amt $113.74 which if correct please make your entries to conform —

Your Respy

[illegible]

[illegible] & Co.

New Bedford 11 Mo. 16th 1850

[illegible] Esq.

Dear Sir

Yours of 13th inst. [illegible] for [illegible] before [illegible]. We can make the [illegible] for you of [illegible] goods [illegible] get [illegible] receipt of your reply as [illegible].

Our price for [illegible] 12 [illegible] at 10 [illegible] New York [illegible]

Your Respy

[illegible]

[illegible] & Co.

New Bedford Nov 16. 1850

Messrs Noble Hammett & Co.

Gentlemen Inclosed I send you check Fulton Bank for eight hundred two [illegible] dollars in accordance with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Nov 18. 1850

J. Hammer

N. B. Crane

J. J. Bragan Esq.

Dear Sir Your favor of 16th inst enclosing of fifty six & [illegible] dolls came duly to hand & for which we thank you. Also we have ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] our [illegible] accepted –

Yours Respy

J. Hammer

N. B. Crane

New Bedford
Nov 18 1850

[illegible]

Boston Nov 16. 1850 [illegible]

N. I. Dragon Esq

Dear Sir Your favor of 16 inst

received [illegible]

[illegible]

been accepted —

Yours Respy

[illegible]

New Bedford

Nov 16. 1850

New Bedford 11 m 18th 1850

L. A. Bigelow Esq

Dear Sir

We enclose check for $97 5/100 in settlement of your bill Belting & here the receipt of which please acknowledge

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 11 m 18. 1850

E. S. Mosley Esq

Dear Sir

We send to Boston today the Cordage ordered as per mem below with directions to forward to you by first team from Boston - which we trust will be in season - Please send back the Manila line (if you have not done so) at once as we have a call for it -

1 Coil	5/4	Manila	375
1 "	3/4	Cordage	160
3 "	3.	133. 149. 156	438
2 "	2 3/4	115. 116	231
1 "	3/4		[illegible]
8 Coils	M. - 149		1322 Manila Cordage

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

P.S.

How long shall you require the balance of your Manila rigging

New Bedford 11m.18.1860

A. Brayton Esq

Resp. fr.

We enclose Acct [illegible] 167 [illegible] the [illegible] your [illegible] & [illegible] please acknowledge

Resp. [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 11m.16.1860

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

We send to Boston to-day the Cordage ordered as per mem. below with directions to forward to you by first train from Boston - which we trust will be in season - Please send back the Manila [illegible] if you have not room [illegible] at once as we [illegible] case for it -

1 Coil	5/8	Manila	375
1 "	3/4	Cordage	180
3 "	3.	153.149.136	438
2 "	2 3/4	115.119	234
1 "	2 1/2		
8 Coils	M	119	1322 lb Manila [illegible]

Resp. [illegible]

[illegible]

P.S. [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible]

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New Bedford [illegible]

Messrs Gleason & Williams

Gents — [illegible] Ship Nautilus [illegible] 24 [illegible] the Passenger train at quarter (when we think [illegible] they have [illegible] any freight [illegible] in their train) [illegible] Boston tomorrow [illegible] to forward [illegible] to Portsmouth

Yrs truly [illegible]

New Bedford 11 m° 19. 50

Messrs Gleason & Williams

Gents

We send by the freight train this p.m 77 Coils S. 11759 for the Sea Serpent which completes the order with the exception of 1 Coil for warp line which was not finished in time for us to get it off to-day – will send it along tomorrow – We suppose they can use the 10 fms 3/4 in launching the Ship – We found we could not get the large coils off by the Passenger train this p.m. as the Roads did not like to take them – We wrote you this morning and sent specification in reply to your favor of 18 & money [illegible]

Yours Resp[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Messrs. Weiner & Mitchell [illegible]

Gentlemen

We recd by the freight train this a.m. 77 cars [illegible] for the [illegible] complete [illegible] with the exception of 1 car [illegible] which was not [illegible] in time to get it off today — [illegible] it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] they can [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the cars [illegible] the passenger train [illegible] a.m. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford 11 mo 20th 1850

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 17th with enclosure of Two Hundred & fifty dollars is at hand and we place the same to cr of John Livingston as desired — How are they getting along with the bonded ship?

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage.

New Bedford 11 m 20. 50

J. A. Reed Esq

Dear Sir — We enclose check on the Bank New York for Six Hundred dollars as desired by you when here —

Yours Respy — L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 11 mo. 20d 1855

Messrs. Stewart Day & Co

Gentlemen

We enclose Mechs chk on Suffolk Bk Boston for $388 15/100 in settlement of your two bills Cordage which please return receipted by return mail & oblige

Yours Respecty

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

10m 29	6 mo	57.73
9m 5	"	335.80
		393.53
Less int		5.38
		$388.15

New Bedford 11 mo 20d [illegible]

Messrs. [illegible] & [illegible]

Gent

We annex [illegible] of the Manila Cordage [illegible] the [illegible] all of which has been forwarded to Boston. The [illegible] sent by the passenger train this afternoon [illegible] you [illegible] that it would [illegible] in Boston this evening

Yours Respecty

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 11 mo 22nd 1856

Nath'l Francis Esq &c.
Boston

We enclose [illegible] on Suffolk Bk Boston for $388 15/100 in settlement of your two bills Cordage which please return receipted by return mail & oblige

Yours respectfully
[illegible]
[illegible] & Co

[illegible] 29	Cor	57.73
[illegible] 5	"	335.80
		393.53
	less Int	5.38
		$388.15

New Bedford 11 mo 20th 1856

[illegible]
Boston

[illegible]

Yours Resp[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] 2 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] E. R. [illegible]

[illegible] 2 [illegible] 33.75 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Etc

Mess[rs] Reppard [illegible]

Dear [illegible]

[illegible] We have not [illegible] the Bal of your acc. We shall [illegible] 3 or 4 or [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] – [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] – We shall [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] – [illegible] [illegible] of buying to better advantage later in the season. This lot of [illegible] is very good –

Yours truly Wm Rolker [illegible]

Mess[rs] Reppard [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir. Your [illegible] is ready to go forward and we await your orders [illegible] its destination. [illegible]

Yours truly [illegible] Wm Rolker [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 30. 1858

Theodore Chase Esq —

Dear Sir — Above we hand an Invoice of 15 [illegible] Cordage sent this day as per your order & [illegible] Chamberlin — [illegible]. We instructed the [illegible] Agent of the Providence R Road to forward it immediately. With [illegible] and [illegible] we [illegible] send your [illegible] less 3 pct. When you are ready to contract for your Cordage for your new ship we should like to hear from you and doubt not we can give you satisfaction — Yours &c Wm. J. Rotch Treas.

New Bedford Nov 30. 58

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — Yours [illegible]. We [illegible] the 25 tons of [illegible] and the whole of Bales [illegible]. We hope you may get [illegible] from [illegible] on [illegible]. We should like to know what quantity of Yarns we [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible]! We usually should like to take more than the above quantity to complete [illegible] stock. What is now the selling price for Manila Hemp?

Yours truly Wm. J. Rotch Treas.

P.S.

Are any of Rope 3d Quality for sale — we should [illegible] to them —

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New Bedford Nov 23. 1858

Mess Glidden Williams

Gent= Ship Jason & [illegible] do you wish the tarred or untarred Marline? We charge extra for the untarred and ought to do so for the tarred where so much is called for

Yrs Truly

Wm J Rotch Treas=

New Bedford Nov 23rd 1858

E. T. Morley Esq

Dear Sir

Annexed please find bill of the Manila & 2 Coils Tarred Cordage for your new Ship which has been sent in to Boston. We have ch'd the Ship with 2/8 Manila on 2 of Hemp as directed by Mr Williams which we trust is correct. We rec'd this morning from the Railroad the Manila Towline returned by you.

Yours Respy

[illegible]

N.B. Cordage Co

New Bedford [illegible] 25. 185[illegible] 19

Messrs John P. [illegible] & Co.

Gent. Yours of [illegible] 15 [illegible] recd. I am sorry to hear such unfavorable accounts of our friends Wm. P. Grinnell & the Cargo of the [illegible] - I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] freight - With regard to the Bills of [illegible] - In the case [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the vessel responsible for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] In fact the case stands thus. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Wm. P. Grinnell & Benj. Price [illegible] for [illegible] are [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] secured on account to the Bills of [illegible] [illegible] on Real Estate [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] belonging to B. Price. Now in case the Bills of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the vessel [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and as Capt. Price [illegible] [illegible] interested in this matter he [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] fail to collect enough from the Bills of Lading [illegible] [illegible] Capt. Price [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

With regard to the collecting the freight you are aware that Shippers are liable in case the Consignees fail to pay and by taking proper legal measures you [illegible] hold them [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the cargo. I hope you will be enabled to remit to me the full amount of [illegible] claim collected from freight & the sale of the vessel.

so that I may release Capt. Pike's property here — and as I said before I think He will be disposed from this consideration to aid you in collecting the full amount of our claim — Relying upon your good judgment and vigilance to protect our interest in the best way I remain

Yrs Truly Wm J. Rotch

Nov 25: 1858

Messrs [Higgins] & Co

Dear Sirs

Check for $.40

Amt of [illegible] [illegible] Fence & [illegible] charge [illegible] extra [illegible] of [illegible] which I do not think [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as I [illegible] and I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] them. I supposed the Castings [illegible] [illegible] were also included in the price [illegible] inasmuch as the Fence could not be [illegible] without them. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] cost [illegible] [illegible] of the Castings for the [illegible] [illegible] The Fence [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I am very much pleased with it — Please acknowledge the receipt of the enclosed —

Yrs truly

W J Rotch

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[New] Bedford Nov 25. 1850

Messrs [illegible] & Thompson &c

Gent[n] — [illegible] his drafts for your acceptance. We can negotiate them to better advantage when accepted. Please accept and return them to us by return mail.

— [illegible] much can you transfer of our $ of your Bills [illegible] the Ship "Jasper" & Thompson Drummond &c. We shall be glad to have you turn as much as [illegible] can in this way as it will accommodate our payments here. —

Yrs truly
Wm R. Rotch [illegible]

1850
10m 21. 4 mos $1500.—
11m 21. 4 mos 1500.—
3000.—

New Bedford Nov 25. 1850

A D Field Esq

Dear Sir — Yours of 22nd advising [of the] purchase of 30 bales of yarns from [illegible] Ropes &c. If you can get any more from them we should like to have them [illegible] yarns — we will take the 5 bales of Seconds at 8/2. We also notice that you have the refusal of [illegible]

Where are the Manila Ships — We have seen none — Are there any for sale in Boston or to be coming — What is the price?

Yrs truly
Wm R. Rotch [illegible]

[illegible] Oct 29. 1850

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] can accommodate on Payment

Yours truly Wm. [illegible]

1850

Nov. 21. 4 mos $1500.

Nov. 21. 4 mos 1566.

3066.

[illegible] Dec 2. 50

Dear Sir

[illegible]

Purchase of 36 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] at 8/2. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly Wm. [illegible]

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New Bedford Nov 26th 1850

Messrs Glidden & Williams

Gent. Yr favor of 25 & telegraphic message are duly recd. The Rope made from Russia Hemp for Captn Hartland will be in Boston tomorrow morning if nothing unforeseen occurs.

Yrs truly

Wm [illegible] Trust[illegible]

The Coil Tarred Marline for East Boston Ship will go with above

New Bedford Nov 26th 1850

Messrs Glidden & Williams

Gentlemen

We invoice [illegible] of the 2 Coils Shrouds & Tacks for the Sea Serpent and 1 Coil Tarred Marline for East Boston Clipper which has gone to Boston this p.m. We wrote you this morning that we should send these [illegible]

Yours Respy

[illegible] Plummer

W.B. Crocker [illegible]

New Bedford Nov 26. 1853

Messrs Whitman & Williams

Gents

We have yours of 25 & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Rec'd.

Yours Respy

The Coil Stove Machine for East Boston Ship [illegible] [illegible] with above

New Bedford Nov 26th 1853

Messrs Weldon & Williams

Boston

Gents

We annexe invoice of the 2 Coil Shafts & Iron for the Sea Serpent and 1 Coil Stove Machine for East Boston Ship which has gone to Boston this p.m. We wrote you this morning that we shipped [illegible] the [illegible]

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford Nov 28. 1857

Messrs J. M. Forbes & Co

Gents = [illegible] — the price you ask for [illegible] 100 Bales of Manila Hemp provided the offer is accepted immediately and we can [illegible] it by return [illegible] — but we [illegible] & are not willing to [illegible] even that offer [illegible] —

Yours truly (Signed)

Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 2. 1857

[illegible] Manila [illegible]

Gents = Your favor [illegible] the [illegible] of Manila [illegible] [illegible] When [illegible] we [illegible] in Bonds. On [illegible] future prospect. [illegible] we have decided to hold our Manila Cordage at 10½ ¢ (ten and a half cents) Bonds delivered at the N. Bedford Freight Station [illegible] for the [illegible] at [illegible] rate we shall decline [illegible] the order beyond Six months (6 mos) from the time of delivery —

When you receive the [illegible] order please forward so that we may have it time we can.

Yours truly (Signed) W. J. Rotch [illegible]

Phila. Nov 28. 1857

[illegible]

Phila. Nov 30 1857

[illegible]

New Bedford Dec 5th 185[illegible]

Messrs Kendall Richardson & Co

Gents — [illegible] with [illegible]

[illegible] 26 [illegible]

In view of the present state of the

hemp market we have decided to hold our

Russia cordage at 10 3/4 6 mos from delivery at

the Freight Station of New Bedford [illegible]

Russia cordage 10 3/4 [illegible]

Manila at 12 1/4 [illegible]

[illegible] Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 5. [illegible]

Messrs [illegible]

[illegible] = Enclose check [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] By N.B. [illegible]

[illegible] Nov 7. [illegible]

[illegible] 3216 = 1250.44

[illegible]

[illegible]

Wm Rotch Jr [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 5. [illegible]

Messrs [illegible]

Gents = We are all out of [illegible]

Please forward us by first [illegible] as much of our

order as you can.

[illegible] Wm Rotch Treas.

If there is no [illegible]

[illegible] Bay of N. York 10 Bbls

New Bedford Dec [illegible]

3rd Grace [illegible]

Dear Sir [illegible] we have [illegible]

[illegible]

from [illegible] at the N Bedford [illegible]

Russia [illegible]

Manila [illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Russia [illegible]

[illegible]

Manila [illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Wm. Rotch Jr.

New Bedford 12 mo 7th 1850.

Capt. C. R. Smith

Dear Sir

Your favor of 4th received to hand yesterday, & we had the Backstays made, and sent them to Boston by the afternoon train, with directions to forward to Bath by Rail Road. We trust they will reach you in due season.

say 1 Coil 5. 7/8 [illegible] Wt. 1130.

Yours Respy

J. Thomson

Wm. [illegible]

New Bedford 12 Mo 7. 1850

H. Crosby Jr. Esq.

Dear Sir

Your favor of 4th with enclosure of Cash. Chk for One Thousand Dollars ($1000) is at hand & we place the same to your credit in account.

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 7 1852.

Capt. C. H. Smith
Dear Sir

Your favor of 11th inst received yesterday & we had the [illegible] made [illegible] for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] forward to the Bark [illegible]. We trust they will reach you in due season.

[illegible] 5 7 [illegible] 11 30

[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 7 1852

[illegible] Esq.
Dear Sir

Your favor of 8th inst [illegible] for [illegible] ([illegible]) is at hand & we placed the same to your credit in account.

Yours [illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] Barque [illegible] afternoon [illegible] [illegible] We have [illegible] at [illegible] the balance at [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] 278 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Alex Bragan Oct 16 '55

Mess Plume & Co—

Gent. — Yr favor [illegible]

& contents noted — I think it would be well
to wait a little while for an opportunity
to ship the bar direct — provided you can
get from 7/0 to 7.50 on the Bean price. But
we must have about that quantity [illegible]
and under the O.J. terms at [illegible] about
150 Bbls of New York and hold on to the Bal
till you hear from us or can ship by a good
direct [illegible] —

Yrs Truly Wm R. [illegible] Sect.

New Bedford Dec 10. 1858

A Ward Esq

Dear Sir – Yrs of 9th inst recd – We will examine the Hemp as soon as we get it on deposit – I wish to say that if you can buy of Spooner some of his James at $16 & say twenty or thirty (20 or 30) tons we should like you to do so for us – You intimated that you thought he might like to sell some

Yrs truly

Wm R Rotch Treasr

New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] New York. The [illegible] are [illegible] do anything [illegible] in Boston. [illegible] [illegible] which I authorised [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]. They may possibly be [illegible] 93, but [illegible] whether it is best to pay that [illegible]. Brigham has a lot of American Hemp which [illegible] has written about, held at $125. [illegible]

very good. Wild also thought that Spooner would take it first with some of his yarns to arrive at 4½ cents. I would buy all I could get at that price of 2d quality but should not care to go very rapidly unless for something very superior. You can see what is in the market there. But be cautious and don't be frightened.

Yours truly
Wm Rotch Jr

New Bedford Dec [illegible] 18[illegible]
A. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — Yesterday I did think of going to Boston tomorrow [illegible] the storm continued [illegible] the [illegible] of Howard [illegible] in [illegible]. And I should not want to buy it the first [illegible]. However Mr Evans will probably be in Boston tomorrow from New York and can examine it as well as the [illegible] Brigham's. I wrote you yesterday [illegible] some of Spooner's yarns at 4½ cents [illegible] to the offer [illegible] authorized you to make at 4½ cents. I would not give any more than that for any yarns now. I enclose a letter to Mr Evans which please hand to him. If you can buy any good [illegible] yarns to arrive at 4½ cents we will take them [illegible] American [illegible] I should wish Mr Evans to examine before buying. He wrote me he would be in Boston tomorrow morning. My views on Manila you have already [illegible].

Yours truly
Wm Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 12th 1850

Capt. C. R. Smith

Dear Sir

[illegible] [illegible] to Boston [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to forward to you by first vessel the [illegible] [illegible] of Manila Cordage for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the balance of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

1	60	[illegible]	Manila [illegible]	216	
1	120	2½	Ditto	270	
1	15	2½	2.4 Main Runner	290	[illegible]
1	15	2½	2.9 Main Runner	169	5
4	300	3	156.165.159.172	653	
4	300	3	153.148.148.146	583	
6	480	2¾	122.119.115.119.120.122	720	
2	420	2	58.58	116	
4	232	1¾	38.46.46.48	178	
4	232	1½	33.38.34.35	139	
4	232	1¼	26.26.27.27	106	
1	60	1½	Manila	34	
1	[illegible]	2½	"	510	
1	60	4	Bolt Rope	112	

30 Coils Manila Cordage [illegible] 3032

per New Bedford 12 mo 10 '50

Respectfully

L. H. Stevens

N. B. Cordage Co.

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New Bedford 12 mo 12. 1860

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 9th inst with enclosure of Fifty dollars ($50.) to credit of Wm Swasey rec'd by us and we placed the same to his acct.

We note your remarks with regard to the Hanover gang & hope the matter will soon be adjusted —

We wish the Books to be closed up this year the accounts from some of the Ports are so small that we hope the Clerks will close them up by the 31st inst —

Yours Resp[ectfull]y

[illegible]

A. B. [illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 12th 1850

Messrs Kincaid Richardson & Co

Gents.

We now enclose Invoice of the [illegible] Cordage [illegible] No 12, C. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with instructions to [illegible] to forward to you. The invoice for the [illegible] 11 [illegible] to get off to you very soon —

[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 12th 1850

Messrs [illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible]

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New Bedford 12 mo 16 [illegible]

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 13th with enclosure of One Hundred & Twenty five Dollars for Acct Schr Monadnock [illegible] is at hand and credited as advised.

We note your remarks in regard to [illegible] ship and are pleased to hear she will be soon settled

Yours

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Dec 16. 1850

Theodore Chase Esq —

Dear Sir — I intended to call and see you when in Boston on Friday last but was prevented by engagements.

We shall be happy to furnish you with a Gang of Superior Russia Cordage for your Ship at 10 3/4 [illegible]. Manila is now so high that I presume you would not wish to contract at present. The price is 12 —

Yours truly

Wm [illegible] Peter [illegible]

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[illegible] Bedford [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] hundred [illegible] hemp [illegible], [illegible] send check on [illegible] Bank for twenty [illegible] in payment [illegible]

What is the prospect in the [illegible] next month?

Yours truly
Wm. Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 16th 1852.

Isaac Mead Esqr

Dear Sir

We sent one to Boston on the 6th Nov. cask [illegible] marked S. with directions to them to forward at once to Read Rose & [illegible] Bath Me. for E. R. Smith.

We are this morning in receipt of letter from Capt. Smith stating that the cask has not yet come to hand — will you look it up and forward at once & write us the particulars.

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 18th 1852.

Thos Sears Esq

Dear Sir

[illegible]

New Bedford Dec [illegible] 1858

Wm Eaton Jr Esq

Dear Sir - Your [illegible] present price of Hemp the lowest rate for Russia Clean [illegible] made him is 11 & [illegible] Manila 12 1/2 - the [illegible] of [illegible] but [illegible] no [illegible] - [illegible] in the [illegible] of Russia [illegible]

Yr truly

Wm Rotch Treas

Russia [illegible] 11
Manila [illegible] 12 1/2

New Bedford Dec 11 1858

[illegible] S. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir -

Please ship me ~~[illegible]~~ Hemp by first packet bound for New Bedford & enclose [illegible] Bills Lading - We shall [illegible] your [illegible] in a day or two -

Yr truly Wm Rotch Treas

New Bedford Dec 18 1858

A Dwell Esq

Dear Sir - The Yarns from Bates are coming along and we are very much surprised to find some of them in very bad order - On many of the Winches large quantities of the Yarn are entirely chafed off & the Winches all broken. The understanding was that the Yarns were in good order was it not? They are single matted and consequently not well protected. Was the understanding with Mr Bates that the Yarns should be taken at Invoice weight or reweighed? We much prefer the former.

What is to be done with the Manila from the Jacob Perkins? Please keep me advised upon the subject - and inform Mr Bates of the condition in which we find many of the Winches -

Yours truly

Wm. F. Potter Treas.

[illegible] Oct 11 1855

[illegible]

Dear Sir - The Guano from [illegible] are arriving daily and [illegible] Complaints [illegible] some of them as very bad ones - The Guano of the [illegible] quantities of the Guano [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours Truly

[illegible]

New Berne Dec 18. 1858

Messrs J. Hume & Co

Gent. / Your favor of 13th was duly recd and contents noted. We should like you to draw on us for the amount of the [illegible] at 4 mos adding interest. The Schr William of this Port return on her way to Norfolk a [illegible] there [illegible] — You can ship the 358 [illegible] by her or by first vessel which offers. We want it as soon as we can get it —

Yours truly
Wm. J. Roberts Treas.

New Berne Dec 19. 1858

J. J. Moseley Esq

Dear Sir — Please send me a Bill of the freight paid by you on the [illegible] we [illegible] from Boston. We [illegible] to be paid [illegible] your R Road to charge the same you [illegible] them.

Please also send me the name of the [illegible]. We [illegible] the [illegible]. Am truly [illegible] much obliged

Yr truly
Wm Roberts Treas.

Mr J. Barker Dec 11. 1847

[illegible]

Dear Sir:- Yours of 12 Inst. has duly come contents noted. We should be glad [illegible] the amount of the loss at [illegible] and [illegible] The Sch Patrician of this port [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the 35 [illegible] [illegible] Vessel [illegible] [illegible]

Yours truly Wm J Peter Jun

[illegible] Barrere Dec 11. 1847

Dear Sir [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly Wm J Peter Jun

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New Bedford Dec 17. 1858

Messrs Chidsey [illegible]

Gent = We have sent by Railroad today 68 coils Cordage marked L being the tarred Rope for Lorings Ship. We shall forward your Manila tomorrow =

Russia Hemp is so high that we do not wish at present to contract for any Cordage at less than 11 1/2 cents. We think the price will be fixed at that for the next season -

Yours truly Wm R Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 19. 1850

B. Spooner Esq Treas.

Dear Sir — As the demand in this market will soon commence for tarred cordage I think it will be well for us to fix upon a price from which there shall be no variation either for the new Ships or the old ones. In the present state of the market and in view of the probable great demand for Russia cordage Eleven cents per lb seems to me to be quite low enough. If this price meets your views please advise us and notify your Agents here and in Fairhaven as it is highly probable that the Contractors for the new Ships will soon apply for prices &c —

An early reply will oblige

Yrs truly

Wm Rotch Treas.

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New York Dec 12. 1877

B. Spoor Esq Treas:

Dear Sir. As the demand on the Chatham Conn. [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] Ottawa [illegible] [illegible] upon a prior [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] letter for the [illegible] to the [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] state of the market and in view of the probable [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the price [illegible] [illegible] plan [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours truly [illegible] Treas:

New Bedford Dec 3[illegible] 185[illegible]

Br Green [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir: [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the Ship [illegible] the Shares

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Wm [illegible] Rotch Jun[illegible]

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[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 16. 18[illegible]

A. D. Weld Esq

Dear Sir

I have sent by our [illegible] of the [illegible] from [illegible] with the [illegible] the [illegible] to [illegible] at the [illegible] in [illegible] of the [illegible] to the [illegible] to the [illegible] [illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible] Simmons

A. B. [illegible] & C[illegible]

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New Bedford Dec 3rd 1850 —

Messrs Reuben Richardson & Co

Gent= [illegible] you have Invoice of 24 coils Manila Cordage and also a Bill of 30 coils Manila Point Rope and the Ellen Maria's Bill on which latter amt is $241.92 [illegible] [illegible] — We charge the Point Rope at 13 — [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 2 M. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] 14 —

We have drawn on you for 500 at 4 mos from this day favor W. Potter which [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] in Bath [illegible] —

[illegible]

W. Potter [illegible]

Our [illegible] —
are in Russia Rope 11 }
Manila ditto 13½ } 4 mos

Messrs. Reuben Richardson & Co.

Bath Maine — Bot. of New Bedf. Cordage Co.

20 Coils 70 fms ea 1¼ Manila Boltrope marked P.

50 49 50 49 49 50 49 50 50 51

49 49 49 49 49 49 48 49 49 49 } 986 a 13 $128.18

6 mos. E. C. New Bedford 12 m 20. 50.

Amt. of Brig Ellen Maria & our Acct. 119.73.

10 m 3.30 Avg 5% — 5.99 — 113.74

Average Date $241.92

11 m 14. 1850

6 mos.

New Bedford Dec 21. 1858

Messrs Glidden & Williams

Gent. Yrs in favor of Oct 20th. The present price for Manila is 13½ — but as we manufacturers have but a small supply of hemp we do not care to contract for any immediate delivery. With regard to the Sandwich Islands agency I do not think it will be worth while for us to undertake it.

Yrs truly
Wm Rotch Treas.

New Bedford Dec 23 1858

Messrs G & W

Gent. Enclosed please find check for 308.84 [illegible]

[illegible] and send me a receipt.

Yours truly
Wm Rotch Treas.

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New Bedford Dec 23. 58

Mess. [illegible] —

Gent — [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the receipt of which please [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] should [illegible] [illegible] any of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 2[illegible]. 58

Wm. [illegible] [illegible] —

Dear Sir. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 23 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Manila [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — But [illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] Truly [illegible]

Wm. [illegible] Treas.

New Bedford Oct 23 1847

[illegible]

New Bedford Oct [illegible] 1847

[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 26th 185[illegible]

Lewis S. Morris Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 24th with bill per [illegible] & bill [illegible] came to hand this morning.

We have enclosed say

J. R. M[illegible] [illegible] for 1199.90

J. R. Morris Cash [illegible] 459.77

Amounting to (1659.67)

in settlement your bill as [illegible] less disct of 4% — Please hand us [illegible] by return mail and oblige.

Yours Respy

[illegible]

J. R. [illegible]

Lewis S. Morris Bill	1245.11	
Disc 4%	49.80	1195.31
Bill Cavan[illegible]	say	1199.90
Mortgage Morris Bill	478.93	
Disc 4%	19.16	459.77
		(1659.67)

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New Bedford 12 mo 26/50

A. D. Wells Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 25th is at hand & contents noted. Mr Rotch is now absent from the City but will write you on his return in regard to the [illegible]. Please keep us advised in regard to the Manila Hemp for St Paul & oblige

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 26th 1850

M. Crosby Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We have this day fixed upon the following list of prices for our Cordage which please note in future orders till further advice

Russia Tarred Cordage	11
Manila Cordage	1[illegible]
Tarred Spun Yarn	12½
Manila Bolt Rope	14
Russia Bolt Rope	13
Marline	17½
Spun Yarn	11

6 mos from sailing 4 pr ct off for cash

Yours Respy

L. A. Hammond

A. B. Cordage

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New Bedford 12 mo 26/50

N. L. [illegible] Esq
Dear Sir

Your favor of 25th inst at hand & contents noted. Mr [illegible] is now absent from the City but will write you on his return in regard to the [illegible] Please [illegible] us advise in regard to the Manila Hemp for [illegible]

Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 26 1850

M. [illegible] Jr Esq
Dear Sir

We have this day [illegible] upon the following list of [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] 11
[illegible] 1
[illegible] 1
[illegible] 11
[illegible] 1
[illegible] 1
[illegible] 1

[illegible]

Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

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New Bedford 12 mo 26. 1850

Wm Graig [?] N. Esq

Dear Sir

We wrote you on the 24th and are to say in receipt of your favor of 25th and in reply would say that 11 c 6 mos is the lowest at which we could furnish the gang to Mess Curtis & Townsend spun from Russia Hemp — At above price we would give them a first rate gang delivered either in Boston or New York as they may desire —

In regard to the Manila running rigging for Mess Knapp & Benton — are the 3 Coils already sent forward to be deducted from the original order or do they wish that filled in full with the 10 coils — Please write in regard to this as early as you can and name the time at which they will want to receive it —

Yours Respy

R. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 12 mo 27th 18[illegible] 49

Messrs [illegible] & Company
Gentlemen

Your favour of 24th with
Bill 857 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] came to
hand yesterday — Amtg to $10286.65 6 mos
from which we deduct 4% 411.46
$9875.19 Cash

We remitted you on the 23rd $5000.
& now enclose Mechanics Bk check
on Mech's Bk New York to bal } 4875.19 9875.19

Please hand Rec of your Receipts &
Oblige Your Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 28th 18[illegible]

Capt E. R. Smith
Dear Sir

We send you to day for
the Ship [illegible] balance Manila Cordage, made
as per enclosed memo.

2 coils 320 fms 2½ 192.281 [illegible]
1 " 300 " 2¼ [illegible]
1 " 215 " 2" [illegible]
4 coils Manila Cordage $ 967
R. R. 12/27.

Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 27th 186[illegible]

[illegible] & Co

Boston

Dear Friends Yours of 24th inst with

Note 357 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Cases to

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] $10286.65 [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 411.46

$9875.19 Cash

We remitted you on the 23 inst

[illegible] [illegible] Merchants Bk [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] New York [illegible] $9875.19 9875.19

Please [illegible] this [illegible] your Receipt &

Oblige your Respectfully

[illegible]

N. B. [illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 2[illegible] 186[illegible]

Capt [illegible]

Dear Sir

We [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

2 [illegible]	[illegible]	192.281	116
1 [illegible]	[illegible]	2	31
1 [illegible]	[illegible]	2	120
4 [illegible]	[illegible]	3	267

[illegible]

Your Respectfully

[illegible]

N. B. [illegible]

Mess. [illegible] Cummings   New Bedford 12 mo 29. 1850
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Gents. Above is Invoice of Manila Cordage to [illegible] Yarn No 12. Sent in to Boston yesterday [illegible] & forward. Please [illegible] the Sales to the 31st inst & oblige

Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 28th. 1850

Wm. Davis Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We enclose our Note 12 mos & 6 mos payable in Boston, $2217.44 in settlement of our Bill Russia yarn, the receipt of which please acknowledge—

Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 2[illegible] 1852

[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 26th 1852

[illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible]

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New Bedford 12 mo 28th 1850

A. D. Weld Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 27th is at hand. [illegible] [illegible] Comm. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for the following [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]	[illegible] 50 [illegible]	2861	
	4/ [illegible] [illegible]		
	[illegible] [illegible] 1/	1 ½	3418.30
[illegible]	1/ [illegible]	3512	
	1/ [illegible]	1523	365.52
[illegible]	[illegible] [illegible]	2597	
	3/ [illegible]	779	251.92
	[illegible]		1965.74

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Bills for Above &

Oblige Yours Respectfully

L. A. [illegible]

A. B. [illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 26th 1850

Messrs. John C. Tobey & Bro.

Gentlemen

Your favor of 26th inst.

Bill 29 Bales Manila Hemp for Sp [illegible] is at hand amount as below 1835.36

from which we deduct 100 lbs Error in

addition of weights of Bales 17.01

1 1/2 % disct for Cash 23.90 40.91

1794.45

We now hand enclosed check on Mech. Bank New Bedford for Seventeen hundred Ninety four & 40/100 dolls to balance — the receipt of which please acknowledge.

At what price can you buy Manila Hemp from the vessel — Cash?

Very Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford 12 mo 31st 1850.

Messrs. Newbold & Cruft

Gentlemen

We hand enclosed — Mechts Bk check on Mecht Bk New York for Five Thousand Dollars on Acct purchase Russia Hemp of which Mr Evans says you are to sell us thirty tons — Please hand Bill of the Hemp as soon as you can, we are ready to cash it at any time —

Yours Respfly

L. A. Plummer

A. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 12 mo 31st 1850

Messrs. Gliddon & Williams

Gents

Your favor of 28th came to hand yesterday and contents noted — Our lowest price for Russia Rope is 11. 6 mos and we should be pleased to furnish Mr Rogers at that price, but cannot afford it at anything less — We do not think he can obtain a gang equal to the Sea Serpent at less than 11c in New York or Boston —

We handed your advertisement in and they appear in the mornings paper & directed them to send you a copy —

Yours Respfly

L. A. Plummer

A. B. Cordage Co

P.S. Please say at what time the [illegible] for Lorings ship will be wanted

New Bedford 12 Mo 31st 1850.

Mess. Newbold & [illegible]

[illegible]

We have received —

[illegible] Bk Chk on Merch Bk New York for

Five Thousand Dollars on acct purchase [illegible]

[illegible] of which we hope you are able to

sell at thirty days— Please hand Bill of

the [illegible] as soon as you can, we are

ready to rec it at any time—

Yours Respy

[illegible]

H. B. [illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 31st 1850

Mess. [illegible] & Williams

[illegible]

Your favor of 28th came

to hand yesterday and contents noted—

The lowest price for [illegible] is 11¢ [illegible]

and we should be pleased to receive the [illegible]

at that price, but cannot afford it at anything

less— We do not think we can obtain a [illegible]

equal to the [illegible] at less than 11¢ in

New York or Boston—

We have read your advertisement

in [illegible] appear in the morning paper

[illegible] to send you a copy—

Yours Respy

[illegible]

H. B. [illegible]

P.S. [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford 1 mo 1st 1851

B. H. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 12 mo 24th 50 with Ac Sales & Acct Current for the year to [illegible] at hand which we find the same Corr & agree [illegible] with the [illegible] exception of [illegible] Emblem [illegible] made 1132.80

[illegible] Acct Rent [illegible] 1132.[illegible]

[illegible] 2290.33

Your Acct Rend is 2249.22 [illegible] 49 [illegible]

say Balance your Acct [illegible] 11.426.91

from which deduct [illegible] 09

Balance 12 mo 22. 1850 $11.426.82 which if you find correct please make your entry conform — Please [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] The [illegible] to [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] in your favor [illegible] & hope the outstanding Accts [illegible] will be closed this month.

Yours Resp'y

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 12mo 31st 1852

New Bedford 12mo 1st 1852

[illegible]

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New Bedford Jan 8 1851

W. R. Keith Esq

Dear Sir

Has Mr Thing fixed upon a price for the Manila Bark for St Jago [illegible] what is the Court that will oblige. Please [illegible] by return mail & oblige

Yours Resp

L. A. Plummer

Treasr

New Bedford Jan 31 1851

Wm R. Keith Esq

Dear Sir

Please inform us if the bags of the bark shipped by us with [illegible] Cordage on the 28th [illegible] are ready to take the [illegible] to get it [illegible] as we are now making up our rates for the past year would like to close as many as possible.

Are not the parties about ready to pay the note you have? we think it full time for them to settle.

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford June 2 1841

[illegible] Esq
Dear Sir

[illegible]

Yours Respy
[illegible]

New Bedford June 3 1841

W. R. [illegible] Esq
Dear Sir

[illegible]

Yours Respy
[illegible]

Mess. [illegible] New Bedford [illegible] 1861

Gents

Please [illegible] the [illegible] for the [illegible] as soon as you conveniently can,

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 1861

Messrs [illegible] & [illegible]

Gentlemen

Your favor of [illegible] is at hand. We cannot sell [illegible] less than [illegible] & we expect to get [illegible] for all we can manufacture this season.

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 1 mo 3d 1851.

M. Crary Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 27th with Accounts for the past year & Account to 1 mo 1/51 Showing Bal in your favor of $738.62 is at hand & we make our entries to conform -

The prices for the past year in your place have been very low - netting us from ½ ct per lb less than the sales in any other place. We therefore expect to obtain a fair price for our Rope with you for the coming year & now hand a list of prices at which we are selling, any offer less than which we should decline

Tarred Russia Cordage	11
Manila Cordage	12½
Tarred Towline	12½
Manila Towline	14
Russia Boltrope	13
Hambline	12½
Point rope	14

Cordg. from Sailing at 4% off for Cash.

Yours Respy

S. A. Hammond

N. B. Cordage

New Bedford Nov 3 1851.

W. Cracy Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 27th ulto with Acc Sales for the past year & Deposit to 1 Nov 1851 showing Net in your favor of $1758.62 is at hand & we made our entries to correspond.

The prices for the past year in your place have been very low - netting us 13 1/2 per lb. this we have not done in any other year - we have expected to obtain a fair price for our [illegible] the coming year & now send a list of prices which we are selling Cordage at here as they now stand

Best Russia Cordage	11
Manila Cordage	13 1/2
Russia Bolt rope	13 1/2
Manila Bolt rope	11
Russia Tarred	10
Manilla	13 1/2
Spunyarn	14

Usual [illegible] discount of 4% off for Cash.

Yours Respy

J. H. Cummins
N. B. Cordage

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New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 6th inst at hand.
We will take the 200 bbls Menhaden from the [illegible] cargo at the price named by you 9¼ - 8 mos. If the [illegible] is [illegible] we will also take 400 bbls from the same cargo at a price not exceeding 9½ - 8 mos.

Yours Resp'y

L. R. [illegible]

[illegible]

Please reply by Telegh
whether to take the 200)
[illegible])

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New Bedford Jan 7. 1857

Mess Glidden & Williams

Gent= We rave your telegraphic despatch this morning and are very sorry we cannot forward you the small lot of Manila in season. But as we supposed we had furnished you with all you wanted for the Bertram we run the Bal of our manila yarn into different sizes and should now have to spin some more which as we rave the manila to get from Boston must take more time than you can give us. With regard to the Houseline that we sent you was some extra we which we imported expressly from Russia. It is of this best and cost us 12 1/4 per lb. However we will make some more of the two prefers we often make. By the way we wish now to rave it expressly understood that in all riggings which we may furnish hereafter we shall charge extra for all the Houseline Marline & fine seizings. We find that the Boston manufacturers do so & we cannot afford to do otherwise. We duly rec'd your reply with notes but as we wish some alteration in them we propose to see you shortly upon the subject.

Yrs truly / Wm Rotch Jr

New Bedford Jan 8. 1857
J. S. Wild Cashier
Dear Sir — We enclose check on Mechanics
Bank for 3702.45 — & on Suffolk Bk for 1032.55
making 4735.— which credit the Cordage Co
[illegible] — Please return [illegible]
Respectfully
Wm Rotch Treas.
N Bedford Cordage Co

New Bedford Jan 8 1857
A D Wild Esq
Dear Sir — You may
purchase for us 100 Bales of
Manila at 9 3/4 cents if you
can get it at once — We are out
& can only use a small quantity at
this price for immediate use — Send
it over the Road immediately & let us
know the discount for cash. —
Yrs truly
Wm Rotch Treas.

Wild
100 Bales

[illegible] Jan 4. 1857

Messrs J. [illegible] Little & Co

Gent= Your favor of Nov 15 & [illegible] are rec.d I am much disappointed at the [illegible] you give of the Bark [illegible] I wrote you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Nov 3d [illegible] hold it [illegible]. W. T. Pope [illegible] with me in these views and we rely upon you to hold on to all proceeds of [illegible] Cargo & [illegible] – We advise you to attach the [illegible] at once for your own [illegible] to meet your demand [illegible]

disbursements for we hold ourselves liable 62
for none except such as before stated or
arising from delivery of freight & other expenses
strictly connected with & arising out of
such delivery sale or collection -
With full confidence in your judgement
and desire to promote our interests & hoping
to hear a more favorable by by next steamer
We remain yours
truly Wm Rotch

If you wish a Power of Atty
from us let us know.

New Bedford Jan 9. 1857
Messrs Newbold & Cruft
Gent - Your favor of 7 with Bill
Russia & American Hemp a/c & enclosed I send
check for Bal $341.63 which please acknowledge
We have no Bill Lading of the Hemp on board of
the "Cornelia" but presume she has the remaining
ten tons. Mr Evans will probably inform you
as he did Mr Cabot of the short weight of the
bundles. In some instances it is very considerable
Yours truly Wm Rotch Treasr

[illegible]

New Bedford Jan 9 1867

Messrs [illegible] & Swift

Dear Sir – Your favor of 7 inst this [illegible]

[illegible] $341.60 [illegible]

[illegible] the "Corinthian" [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours Truly [illegible]

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New Bedford Jan 18 1857

J. Eaves Jr

Dear Sir - I enclose $30 in paymt of your Bill - Please send a receipt to Yrs Respectfully Wm J. Rotch

New Bedford 1 mo 10th 1851.

A. H. White Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 9th is at hand and contents noted - As either the Robert or the writer will visit Boston on Monday next we will see you at that time and name a price for the gang wanted.

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

A. B. Emery & Co.

Jan 17 1857

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 16th 1857.

A. R. White Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 9th is at hand and contents noted. [illegible] the notes for the [illegible] on Tuesday next [illegible] that time and receive a [illegible] the same for amount.

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]	5.00
[illegible]	3.24
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	.62
[illegible]	[illegible] 15.85

Dear Sir

Dear Sir [illegible]
[illegible]
I am compelled [illegible]
[illegible]. Should it remain unsettled [illegible]
middle of the month [illegible]
[illegible]

Very Respectfully
[illegible] Yours

Mr. Beaper[illegible]
January [illegible]

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Mr Bernard [illegible]

3 [illegible]

Dear Sir [illegible]

[illegible] information on the [illegible]

[illegible] that the Ministers [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] letter [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] arrangement [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] I can think [illegible] have [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] I believe [illegible]

[illegible] letter [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] arrangement [illegible], otherwise [illegible]

[illegible] in honour to discontinue the arrangement

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There is one way in which you can be thought [to] sell our Cordage without our violating our agreement with the other Manufacturers viz by selling for a price sufficiently in advance of the regular Boston Price to pay [illegible] for a Guarantee. In such case we should sell the Cordage to you at the lowest Boston price & take the responsibility of the parties [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] you state is heretofore to have a [illegible] upon [illegible] interest. You would not make the price much different from what it has been heretofore as we generally have asked a little more than the lowest Boston price. When I see you which I shall think to do [illegible] – can explain the matter more fully to you – When you are next in Boston let me know –

I remain your friend –

Yours truly [illegible]

Russia Cordage	11 4	
American do	9½	
Manila –	12½	[illegible]
[illegible]	12½	
[illegible]	15 4	
Russia B. Rope	12 [illegible]	

Jany 21. 1857

Mess Glidden & Williams
Boston.

[illegible]

with them [illegible]

[illegible] connection. [illegible] practice [illegible] almost every merchant in [illegible] of receiving [illegible] be purchased. It became therefore a most important matter to the Manufacturers of [illegible] & [illegible] great [illegible] trade. Though

Jany 21. 1857

Mess. Vaidac & Williams
Weston

Our business relations have been thus far of short duration they have been to us very satisfactory & we [illegible] add that they had been equally profitable. We hope that we may continue to furnish you with cordage whenever we can do so [illegible] to you [illegible] can purchase [illegible] from the prices stated before we shall not be able to [illegible] any concession upon the prices given. I enclose [illegible] of our present prices at which we shall be [illegible] to [illegible] you. Any orders which you have made previous to this date we shall of course feel bound to [illegible] [illegible] place subject to the conditions named in my letter to you of Dec 5. 1850. The price of Manila cordage is then 11½ [illegible].

With regard to the "Ship Hope" I will see the owners and unless some other arrangement has been entered into have no doubt I can induce them to place her in your hands. If for [illegible] own interest & convenience I should [illegible] you [illegible] place it in your hands. When I next go to Boston I will call and see you on the subject of this letter.

Yours truly
[illegible]

Russia Cordage	11^d	Marline + Houseline	15^d
Hackled Ann	9½^d	Russia Boltrope	12^c
Manila Cordage	12½^d	6 mos from arrival	
Wormline	12½^d	delivery in Boston	

New Bedford Jan 21. 1857

Messrs Rogers & Richardson

Gent[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]	11	
[illegible]	9½	
[illegible]	12½	[illegible]
[illegible]	12½	[illegible]
[illegible]	15	in Boston
Rio [illegible] Port	12	

[illegible] Richardson

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New Bedford Jan 21. 1857

Messrs Newbold & Craft

Gent

I enclose check for $48.23 in payment of [illegible] Jarvis & Seaman. Please acknowledge the receipt

Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 1 mo 21st 1857

Messrs Fitz Chamberlain & Co

Boston

We enclose our check on Suffolk Bk Boston for [illegible] the amt of your Bill [illegible] the receipt of which please acknowledge

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Jan 21. 1851.

Wm Graves Jr. Esq

Dear Sir: At a meeting of the Cordage Manufacturers of Massachusetts it was agreed that no Commissions should be allowed to any but Ship Chandlers or Retailers of Rope. This measure was rendered necessary in order to abolish a most pernicious custom which prevailed in Boston, as that of allowing to Merchants a Comm. upon purchases thus rendering all attempts at maintaining an uniform price impossible. This measure was ~~rendered necessary~~ obviously for our advantage (not being residents of Boston) and we only regret being obliged to discontinue the arrangement which has existed with you and which has been on our part with the most entire satisfaction. But under the present arrangement and while it continues we cannot honorably allow any Comm. on Sales of Cordage except as above stated. Should the Parties fail to continue Strictly to the Compact we shall of course again be at liberty to make our own arrangements. Meanwhile we shall

[illegible] Dayton Jan 21. 1857.

[illegible] Evans Jr Esq

Dear Sir: At a meeting of

the Carriage Manufacturers of Philadelphia

it was agreed that on [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Still hope to have some good word and recommendation and if in any case you can venture to get an advance upon the regular Boston price 20 ct to pay yourself a com= we can then honorably furnish you - I annex a list of our prices with that I put in New=

Russia Cordage	11 1/4		Yrs truly
Haskell American	9 1/2	[illegible]	Wm Rotch Treasr
Manila Cordage	12 1/2	[illegible]	
[illegible]	12 1/2	of delivery	
Manila [illegible]	15 1/4	Boston 2	
Russia Bolt Rope	12 1/4	[illegible]	

New Bedford Jan 21. 1857

R. Spooner Esq Treasr

Dear Sir - We hope to see you here soon to arrange our own prices &c in accordance with the late agreement entered into in Boston - We are prepared to carry it out in all its length & breadth and think it would be best to have some concert of action between Mr Robbins yourself & ourselves -

Shall we not see you here soon -

Yrs truly

Wm Rotch Treasr

Please ask Mr Robbins to come also -

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New Bedford 1 mo 21st 1851

Wm. Gravy Jr. Esq
Dear Sir
We have sent in to Boston to-day 49 Coils Manila Cordage marked K for Mess. Knapp & Brenton - One Coil 3½ in did not get finished in time to go forward this p.m. but will send it along tomorrow with the Invoice of the entire lot -
Yours Respy
L. A. Plummer
A. B. Cordage Co.

New Bedford 1 mo. 22d. 1851

Wm. Gravy Jr. Esq
Dear Sir
We have enclosed Bill of the Cordage furnished for Mess Knapp & Brenton new Ship amtg to $3290.72 12 mo 22/50 at 6 mos which will we trust be found correct and satisfactory - The one coil Manila 3½ in sent forward to-day the balance we sent yesterday - Please send us the name and tonnage of the Ship and say in what manner the Cos would like to settle this bill
Yours Respy
L. A. Plummer
A. B. Cordage Co.

New Bedford 1 mo 29th 1850

Wm. Crosby Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We send you to-day in Statement the Houseline & Marline orders have been given. We have entered into an arrangement with the manufacturers of Cordage in Massachusetts and have agreed upon the following list of prices at which [we] shall sell our Cordage till further advised—

Tarred Russia Cordage	11	
Manila Cordage	12½	6 months
Tarred Lashing	12½	from delivery
Manilla do	12½	Delivery
Russia Boltrope	13	½ ct for cash
Manilla do	12½	
Towline	14	
Marline & Houseline	15	

We are obliged by our arrangement the above [to] give a Commission of ½ ct per lb on Manila instead of 5% as before and on Tarred Cordage the usual Com of 5% — which we trust will be satisfactory to you—

Yours Respy

E. A. Plummer

N.B. Cordage Co.

New Bedford 1 mo 28th 1857

Wm Crosby Jr Esq

Dear Sir

We send you to-day

[illegible] the [illegible] & [illegible] returns [illegible]

[illegible] We have entered into an [illegible]

[illegible] with the manufacturers of [illegible]

[illegible] and have agreed [illegible]

the following list of prices at which [illegible]

[illegible] Cordage [illegible]

[illegible] Russia Cordage 11

Manila Cordage 12½ [illegible]

[illegible] 12½ [illegible]

[illegible] 14½ [illegible]

[illegible] 13 [illegible]

[illegible] 12½

[illegible] 14

[illegible] & [illegible] 15

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford Jan 25. 1857
Wm Gray Jr Esq
Dear Sir Your favor of 23d
Enclosing draft of J. Thayer for [illegible] in part
the [illegible] of the cargo [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible] thanks for the
[illegible] promptness in [illegible].
We hope to see you in New Bedford [illegible]
and make personally the acquaintance which
has been so acceptable by correspondence.
We duly recd your favor & [illegible] We do not suppose
you could do much with our [illegible]
[illegible] though we are very [illegible]
that it is [illegible]
more to [illegible] the best [illegible]
your [illegible] per piece. Should
the present arrangement between the [illegible]
[illegible] though we should say that if you [illegible] which
we can honestly & without violating the [illegible]
of our agreement [illegible] our connection with you
we need not say that it would give us great
pleasure again to [illegible] which
[illegible] have [illegible]

Yours truly
Wm [illegible] Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 28 1857

Wm R. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — Yours of 23 is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — We shall be glad to have the [illegible] Mr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that we may [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — With regard to the [illegible] we shall be pleased to have [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] may be [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to your [illegible] —

Yours Truly [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 28 1857

Messrs [illegible] [illegible]

Dear Sirs — Yours of Jan 24 is rec'd [illegible] check on [illegible] to [illegible] Mr Raynes [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] $124.12 [illegible] $3471 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] On [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] which [illegible] — We notice your remarks respecting the [illegible] for Mr Raynes and shall be pleased to receive your order as soon as ~~[illegible]~~ possible

Yours Truly Wm J. Rotch Treas

New Bedford 1 mo 29. 1851

Messrs Wheldon, Train & Co

Gentlm

We have inclosed Cash Chk on Atlas Bk Boston for One Hundred Twenty Seven 18/100 Dollars in settlement your Bill Russia Bolt rope which please hand receipted & oblige

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. [illegible]

New Bedford 1 mo 29. 1851

Wm Gray Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We enclose Cash Chk on Atlas Bk Boston for Eighty two & 37/100 in settlement your Commission on sale of [illegible] [illegible] which we consider in the [illegible] of settlement — Please acknowledge receipt by advice & oblige

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. [illegible] & Co

New Bedford June 29 18[illegible]

Mess. Robinson, Travis & Co
Boston
Gentlemen

We have received your check on Merchants Bank for One hundred & twenty [illegible] Dollars in account [illegible] please accept [illegible]

Yours Respy
L. H. [illegible]
N. B. [illegible]

New Bedford Nov 29 18[illegible]

Mr. Henry B. [illegible] Esq
Dear Sir

We received your check on [illegible] Bank for Eighty two & 37/100 in settlement your Commission to date & [illegible] [illegible] which we [illegible] [illegible] Please acknowledge receipt [illegible]

Yours Respy
L. H. [illegible]
N. B. [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 29. 1851

Chas H. Durham Esq —

Dear Sir — Yr of 24 was duly rec'd & should have been answered before —

We should like to know whether you want the yarns tarred or not & in how large packages. With regard to your Bombay Hemp should we ask you to send us a Bale and a sample we can then decide about it.

The Cordage will not answer —

Yrs truly

Wm. Rotch Jr & Co

New Bedford 1 mo 20th 1851.

Messrs Glidden & Williams

Gents

Your favor of 29th is at hand — We hand enclosed Invoice of the Manila Cordage for Lamings Ship and of 6 Coils Tarred Houseline — The Houseline that Mr Low did not like might be returned to us & we will cr the weight — We should like to receive Mr Lamings Note for this Cordage as early as convenient as well as acct sales of the John Bertram's cargo —

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

A. B. Cordage Co

We directed Mr Beard to deliver the Cordage as you wished J

New Bedford Jan 29. 1851

Mess. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Jan 30th 1851.

Messrs Gibson & Williams

Boston

Dear Sirs Yours of 29th inst

at hand - We have ordered [illegible] of

the Manila Cordage for [illegible] Ship [illegible] of

[illegible] - The Manila that

[illegible] did not like enough to [illegible] to us

[illegible] on the [illegible] - We should like to

receive the [illegible] for this [illegible] as early

as convenient as [illegible] of the [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

Consignments of Cordage to Kendall Richardson
Bath Maine by New Bedf. Cordage Coy. 1850.

Tarred	Manila	Bolt rope	Tarred Manila	Coir	Lbs.
163245	63597	2878	465	1080	230182
		2503	334		
2837					
166082	63597	375	131	1080	230182
Acct. Sales Jany 22.					
155501	63597	375	131		219604

10581 lb Tarred Cordage on hand to new Acct Jany 22, '51, 10581

Acct. Sales of Cordage Recd. by Kendall Richardson
Jany 22. 1851 for Acct. of N. Bedf. Cordage Coy.

Gross Sales by Recd. per Acct. 22903.81

5/4	Cash 2184 @ 12	256.08	Should be 262.08		6.00
5/10	4147 @ 12	497.54	497.64		.10
8/15	95 @ 10½	9.95	10.00		.05

$ 22.911.46

Less 5% Com & Guarantee 1145.72

Average Date 8 mo 6.30 Com'g $ 21.765.74

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Comparison of Tonnage of U.S. and Great Britain [illegible] by [illegible] Esq. 1850.

Registered	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
163215	63597	2876	465	1086	[illegible]
		2501	334		
2837					
166052	63597	375	131	1086	[illegible]

Acct. duty Jany 22.

155501	63597	375	131		[illegible]

10551 Tons [illegible] to New Act Jany 22/51, 1086

Acct. Duty of Tonnage Recd. by [illegible] Jany 22. 1851 per Acct. of [illegible] Esq.

[illegible]

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New Bedford 1 mo 31. 1851.

Messrs Kinnard Richardson & Co

Gentlm

Your favor of 22^d with Acct Sales for the past year is at hand—

We notice a few errors in the Acct Rend^d. which we have corrected as per Acct annexed which if you find correct shall make your entries conform— We notice the sales of 2503^lb Wormline 33 1/2^lb Marline made at the price of Cordage we expected a higher price for those articles as they cost us more than the Common Cordage

We note your remarks in regard to the New gangs wanted soon and should like to receive the memor^dm as early as you can—

The prices remain the same as given you in our letter of 21st

Yours Respfly
L. A. Plummer
N. B. Cordage Co

P.S. In future sales the prices for Wormline & H + Marline will be at the prices sent you on the 21st for those articles

New Bedford June 21. 1861.

Messrs Kinnard Richardson & Co.

Gentn

Your favor of 22d with acct sales for the past year is at hand- We notice a few errors in the acct Recd. which we have corrected as per acct annexed which if you find correct please make your entries conform- We notice the sales of 2703 lb Manila 334 lb Manila made at the price of Cordage. We expected a higher price for these articles as they cost us more than the common Cordage.

We note your remarks in regard to the two gangs wanted soon and should like to receive the measurem. as early as you can-

The prices remain the same as given you in our letter of 21st.

Yours Respy

[illegible]

N.B. Cordage Co.

P.S. In future charge the price for Manilla & Manila &c. at the prices last given on the 21st for these articles

New Bedford 1 mo 31st 1851

Mess. Bird & Smith

Gentlemen

We wrote you on the 3rd inst, since which we are without any of your favors. You will much oblige us by forwarding Acct Sales of our Cordage at once with Cash or note to Balance.

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

A. B. Cary & Co

New Bedford 1 mo 31. 1851

H. A. Stickney Esq

Dear Sir

Please hand us Acct Current to date & state if the 259 Manila Cordage remaining on hand 1 mo 2. 1850 has been disposed of. We wish the same as early as possible as we are now making up our Accts for the past year.

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

A. B. Cary & Co

New Bedford 1 mo 31st 1851

Messrs Read & Smith
Boston

We wrote you on the 3rd inst. since which we are without any of your favors. This will merely oblige us by forwarding Acct Sales of the Candles at once with Cash or Note to Balance.

[illegible]

New Bedford 1 mo 31. 1851

R. R. Kitchen Esq

Dear Sir

Please send us Acct Current to date & Stat. of the 234 boxes Candles remaining on hand 1 mo. 1. 1850 has been disposed of. We wish the same as early as possible as we are making up our Acct for the past year.

Resp. Yrs

[illegible]

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New Bedford Feb 2 185[illegible]

A. R. Stickney Esq

Dear Sir. Yrs of 31 with check for $400 four hundred dolls is recd & credited. We are now in hopes of making arrangements with the Boston Manufacturers to fix prices. If we succeed we think we can enable you to sell in Portland. If there are any good solid concerns (we want no others) who are ready to contract for Rope now — Please let us know

Yrs truly

[illegible]

New Bedford Feb 3. 1851

Mess Howard Smith

Gent= Your favor of 1st is rec'd [illegible]

Ben Hemp purchased by Mr [illegible] –

We will take the Fifteen Bales [illegible]

& the Ten Bales [marks] at same price [illegible]

Please inform us what discount

you will make for Cash –

yrs truly

Wm. Rotch Junr.

New Bedford Feb 3. 18[illegible]

A Field Esq

Dear Sir. Yours of 1st & 2nd [illegible] — We will take the Balance of the St Pauls Cargo at the same rate as before viz 9 5/8 cents and you may purchase it for us unless you receive advices from New York which in your judgment may make the above price seem too high — My own opinion now is that we cannot do better than to take the St Pauls at 9 5/8 cents inasmuch as the quality of the hemp is good — We understand from your letter that there are from 30 to 40 Bales of the St Pauls cargo still unsold. We wish to know what discount will be made for cash on the whole or any part of our former purchase in season of this in case you can make it

Yours truly

Wm. Rotch [illegible]

[illegible] New Bedford [illegible] 185[illegible]

[illegible]

Wm Rotch Treas.
N Bedford Cordage Co

New Bedford Feb 4. 185[illegible]

A G Cummings Esq

Dear Sir. Above we send you our note as agreed upon by the "Cordage Association" the receipt of which please acknowledge. We notice an advance in American Hemp to which we conform. How does the "System" work in Boston?

Yours truly

Wm Rotch Treas.

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New Bedford Feb 4. 1857.

Messrs E D Mandell & Co

Gents. We should be pleased to Cash for Bill less 4 per ct if agreeable to you.

Yrs truly

Wm R Rotch Jr

New Bedford Feb 5. 1857

A. D Weld Esq

Dear Sir. Yrs of 4 recd and contents noted. As Mr Cole only offers 5 pct discount — the [illegible] I think we can do better than to Cash yr Bill. We shall therefore give our notes for the 600 Bales. With regard to the 300 Bales & Balance of the St Pauls cargo we understand he offers to sell them at 95 ct 8 mos & 4 pct off for Cash at our option. And we will take them and either Cash or give notes on receipt of the Bill.

We notified Chandler Howard & Co that we would take the Balance of the Hemp.

The Manila may come along as soon as convenient. We are ready to receive it.

Yrs truly

Wm Rotch Jr

West Dampier Oct. 2. 1857.

Mess E Billings & Co

Gents: [illegible]

[illegible]

Yrs Truly Wm P. Barr [illegible]

West Dampier Oct 5. 1857

J. H. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir: [illegible]

[illegible]

Yrs Truly [illegible]

New Bedford Feb. 6. 1857
Mess. A. C. Forbes & Co —
Gents = [illegible] [illegible] —
We will take two hundred Bags [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Yours truly
W. R. Rotch & Co

New Bedford [illegible]
[illegible] —
Gents =
We [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] We have [illegible]
American [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] other prices
the same — [illegible]
[illegible] —
Yours truly W. R. Rotch & Co

[illegible] Boston [illegible] 57

313 [illegible]

[illegible] Copper [illegible]

[illegible] was duly [illegible]

[illegible] which we [illegible]

[illegible] regard to the [illegible] of the

[illegible] we [illegible]

your judgement — we would [illegible]

that if the [illegible] is [illegible]

[illegible] we should [illegible] the [illegible]

at 2½ per [illegible] — but [illegible] perfectly

[illegible] might be worth [illegible] the 2½ per

[illegible] for the [illegible]

[illegible] — we will therefore [illegible]

your [illegible] — we shall be satisfied

[illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] that [illegible]

[illegible] that we [illegible] — [illegible]

better — we [illegible]

management —

Yrs truly [illegible]

New Bedford Nov 5, 1857

A. F. Weld Esq —

Dear Sir — As we have no letter from you today we send enclosed a check for $7,400 — which would be about the cost of 300 Bales of Manila for the [illegible] of 4,500 — We do not know how many Bales there may be [illegible] [illegible] purchase [illegible] Bal of Cargo more or less. Should there be more than 300 we will remit you the Bal which may be due & if there are fewer you can remit us again the overplus of our present remittance — We shall hope to hear from you on Monday —

We have sent check to Amasa Smith today for $1,048.31 [illegible] and also to E. H. Brigham for 750 — [illegible] for him

Yr truly [illegible]

[illegible] Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Oct 16
Messrs [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Oct 17
Messrs [illegible] Bingham
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 16 1857

J. S. Ward Esq

Dear Sir — Enclosed I send you Check for $74.40 Bal of payment to Mr Pede for the 300 Bales Manila last purchased by you for us — Please send me a receipt for that from Mr Pede and if there is any more [illegible] from St Paul remember that we want it in time [illegible] — They are [illegible] some [illegible] about the delivery of [illegible] already sold —

Yrs Truly [illegible] Treas. =

Thomas H. [illegible]

1851   Bot of [illegible] Bros. [illegible]

[illegible] 12   [illegible]

[illegible]   [illegible]

[illegible]

1   [illegible]   [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]   350. 10. [illegible]

[illegible]   2245 $[illegible]

[illegible] 5%   11.[illegible]

[illegible] $2[illegible]

Thos. H. [illegible] Esq.   New Bedford [illegible] 12. 1851.

Dear Sir Above is bill of the [illegible] & [illegible] ordered by you which we have sent to Boston. Bill amounts to $220.80 Cts. for which please hand a note at 6 mo. or Cash less [illegible] at your option. We have also [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] from you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford Dec. 3 [illegible]

A. D. Wild Esq.

[illegible] Dear Sir. In yours of 2 [illegible] Bill of 300 Bales Manila [illegible] We have [illegible] you [illegible] We shall not buy any more at present in Plymouth

Wm. Rotch Jr.

New Bedford Dec. 5. 1851

Wm. Hazzard Esq.

Dear Sir Your two favours of 3 inst. with notes [illegible] received. We are perfectly satisfied with your settlement and think you have done the best that could be done for our interest. We trust the notes will be paid when due. We of course should be glad to allow you your usual commission upon the sale, the more especially as you [illegible] more than usual trouble with it. It would perhaps be right to [illegible] the amount [illegible] in [illegible] rather than upon the original bill. You can deduct it from your next remittance. We have not yet examined the notes but presume they will be found correct.

Yours Truly

Wm. Rotch Jr.

New Bedford Nov 17. 1857
J. Mead Esq

Dear Sir — Yours of 14 inst rec'd. In Reed's bill there is a charge of $24 — for trucking 80 Bales @ 47 cents. In your letter of 14 we find a bill of trucking of 80 Bales @ 57 = $45.60 which we do not understand as the Hemp was to be delivered in Boston & there consequently should be but one trucking. Please inform us [illegible] We now remit you the amount [illegible] with your [illegible]. We hope you will get us the [illegible] of St Paul's Hemp — [illegible] & Manila [illegible] Tappan came out [illegible]

We have some Yarns No 2 which we will sell at a less price as we have more than we need before the next season. What can you get for them. Say Twenty or Thirty tons good No 2 Yarns which we bought of New Bedford Hemp in December. We see the Washington [illegible] which should put the price up some. Would you want a sample sent to sell by. We enclose the [illegible] for [illegible]. Please send us a receipt — Yours Truly

[illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 7

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yrs truly

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 2 mo 17. 1851 99

Messrs. Kennard Richardson & Co.

Gentlm.

We have advanced the price of Manila Cordage to 15 [illegible] which please note for future [illegible] till further advice —

[illegible]

New Bedford 2 mo 17th 1851.

[illegible] B. Hooker Esq

Dear Sir

[illegible] your favor of 15th we have charged [illegible] with Cash [illegible] 1 month & 8 days [illegible] [illegible] 14.

This we do not [illegible] [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] that we may make [illegible] [illegible].

Very Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

R. C. Hooker Ac	5[illegible]2.50
[illegible]	[illegible]2.50
[illegible]	15. —
Cash enclosed	1[illegible] —
1 mo & 8 days Interest	14. —

making in all $23[illegible]4. —

Per your letter of 2 mo 15th 51.

[illegible]

New Bedford 2 mo 18th 1851

Messrs [illegible] & Davis

Friends

As we have not seen you for some days and wish very much to get your Acct Sales for the past year we write to say that if you can get them in to us this week we shall be much obliged - Our prices for Cordage please find below

Russia Cordage	11c
Manila do	13c
Tarred Towline	12½c
Manila do	15c
Boltrope	15c
Houseline	12½c
Spunyarn	14

Terms four months credit
or 4% off for Cash —

Respy

L. A. Plummer

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 18th 1851

Messrs [illegible] & Davis

Gentlemen

As we have not been [illegible]
you for some days and wish very much
to get some [illegible] for the [illegible] year
we write to say that if you can get them
in to us this week we shall be much ob-
ligation –
Our prices for Cordage stand fixed

Russia Cordage	11c
Manila do	13c
[illegible] Tarring	12½c
Manila do	15c
Boltrope	13c
[illegible]	12½c
[illegible]	14c

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
or 2½% off for Cash

Very Respectfully
J. H. [illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 2 mo 15. 1851.

W. Crosby Jr. Esq.

Dear Sir

Your favor of Jan 27 is received and contents noted. We [illegible] to [illegible] upon the second charge [illegible] the Cordage, and trust you will make the [illegible] as light as possible. With regard to your [illegible] the Cost to the purchasers of the Cordage in your place we do not wish you to do that in order to secure any [illegible] prices are [illegible] the Cordage can be bought of [illegible] of any good [illegible] in the [illegible] will enable you to obtain the [illegible] We annex a list of our present prices—

Russia Cordage	11	Russia Bolting	12½
Manila do	13	Manila do	16
Bolt rope	13	Marline	12½
Towlines & Deep Sea Lines [illegible]		Hawser	15

Cordage from [illegible]

2% off for cash

Yours respectfully

L. [illegible] Plummer

J. B. [illegible] & Co

New Bedford Mar 13. 1861

Wm. Carey Jr. Esq.
Dear Sir

Your favor of [illegible]
received and contents noted [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]	11	17½
[illegible]	13	15
[illegible]	13	17½
[illegible]		15

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 1857

A. S. Hill Esq.

Dear Sir. We annex our check of [illegible] with you and enclose check for bal. of sixty six & 33/100 dolls ($66.33) the receipt of which please acknowledge.

We have also sent by R. R. [illegible] two bundles of [illegible] No. 2 [illegible] Nos 84 and 330 as samples in accordance with your request. We wish you to sell them for the [illegible] at present [illegible] price they should command, [illegible] [illegible] They [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the 33 [illegible] subject to your order. We should be glad to hear your [illegible] of them and of [illegible] price for them.

Truly yours

[illegible]

Under our present arrangement we cannot allow a Com[n] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Bolt Rope [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 14

Manila	13¼	Net from [illegible]
[illegible]	2½	[illegible]
And Bolt Rope [illegible]	13	

[illegible]

1851	[illegible]	
[illegible] 10	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
1851 [illegible] 19	Cash advance to Balance	66.50
		66.71

[illegible]

	[illegible]	
		66.71

[illegible]
2 Nov 19. 1851.

[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 2 mo 21. 1851.

Messrs. Gliddon & Williams

Gentlemen

We have rec'd by Rail Road this morning the Mountain Rebecca by [illegible] Snow. Say

5 [illegible] 262 @ 10 — $26.20

Please render sale of the Gang with [illegible] Note to Balance as early as you can & oblige

Yours Respy

We shall have the Clipper Gang ready soon

L. S. Plummer

A. B. [illegible]

New Bedford 2 mo 21. 1851

Messrs Stevens & Winslow

Boston

We have rec'd by their boat this morning the [illegible] by Mr [illegible]

5 Casks L. 262 @ 10 — 26.21

Please [illegible] the same after deducting [illegible] to Balance [illegible]

Yours Respy

We also have the [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] $3\frac{3}{4}$ [illegible]

[illegible] $1\frac{3}{4}$ [illegible]

[illegible] $1\frac{3}{4}$ [illegible]

New Bedford Feb 24. 1857

A H White Esq

Dear Sir Yours of 22nd inst. We will furnish the Manila at 13 ¼ 6 mos or 4 per off for Cash not subject to any commission. From our arrangement with the Boston manufacturers we cannot allow any commission [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Feb 24 1857

Messrs [illegible]

Gent Yours of 22 [illegible] are [illegible] Cordage is 13 ¼ 6 mos [illegible] Russia [illegible] We annex a list of our present prices [illegible] there to stand [illegible] is [illegible]

Russia Cordage	14	
[illegible]	13 ½	6 mos or [illegible]
Bolt Rope	13 ½	4 pr ct off for Cash
Manila Cordage	13 ¼	
[illegible]	15 ¼	[illegible]

We shall [illegible] for [illegible]

New Bedford Feb 21. 1857

Mess. Dickerson & Co

Dear Sir. Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]. Yours truly

Wm. [illegible]

New Bedford March 1. 1857

Mess. Dickerson & Williams

Dear Sir. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible]

Wm. [illegible]

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[illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible]

Yours truly

[illegible]

[illegible] Bedford March [illegible]

Messrs Robinson

Dear Sirs [illegible]

I enclose check for One thousand Dolls in part purchase from R. H. Potter. I will probably ask you to transfer in a day or two or as soon as we get it. Give us our full share of Wool Yarn. When will the damaged be sold?

Yours truly

Wm. B. Potter Treas.

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New Bedford March 4. 1857

A. Dodd Esq.

Dear Sir — We were obliged to receive the enclosed check in respect of account you have with Mr Baker or his Partner. We are anxious to settle that Bill which we would urge you to examine the account as soon as possible.

We enclose your original Bill of Charges against us to show that our first remittance was in accordance with your own charge of ... in Bill & Charges ... & now enclose check for 35.03 Bal due as per your last letter, the receipt of which please acknowledge —

What progress in Sales of ... We recommend that you should offer them in small lots say 10 tons and not in ... Or might acquire the sale of ... that we ... to see ...

Yrs Truly Wm R Rotch & Co

New Bedford March 5. 1857

A R Stebbins Esq

Dear Sir Yr favor of 4th inst. ... check for three hundred and fifty dolls ... for which you have our thanks

Yrs Truly Wm R Rotch & Co

New Bedford March 4. 1857

A. Winslow Esq.

Dear Sir – [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford March 5. 1857

[illegible] Esq.

[illegible]

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New Bedford Nov 7. 1851.

B. B. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 1st is at hand and contents noted. We have made enquiry of several of our Shipping who are in want of money, in relation to the one you speak of and find that [illegible] is not sufficient for us to [illegible]

[illegible] would be from 13½ to 13½ [illegible] the [illegible] nothing [illegible] to [illegible] every thing [illegible] the price.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford June 7 1851

[illegible]

Gentlemen

Your favour of 2/25 [illegible] containing [illegible] Bill of 25 [illegible] to [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford March 6 1857

A D Waldron

Dear Sir— Your favor of [illegible]
[illegible]. On further consideration of
the matter the damage to the [illegible]
[illegible] been nearly [illegible]
[illegible] too [illegible] for them to [illegible]
[illegible]. If therefore you [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Yours [illegible]
[illegible]

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New Bedford March 15 1857

Messrs Rundall Richardson & Co

Gent^n [illegible] yours of 7 — rec^d [illegible]

for [illegible] Cordage [illegible] Bark [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible]

that the Manila Should be made in [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I think [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Bonnie [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] 5^c [illegible] [illegible] in Boston

Manila [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours

[illegible] Wm Robinson

[illegible] the [illegible] 9. 7. 6. 15 [illegible] to be made

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford March [illegible] 185[illegible]

A. [illegible] Esq.

Dear Sir — Yr favour of 10th is rec'd —
Enclosed I send check on Suffolk Bank
payable to yr order for Three thousand
forty one [illegible] dolls 3041.[illegible] in payment [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to
yr [illegible] — — Please return the [illegible]
when [illegible] — Yrs truly

Wm. [illegible] Treas.

New Bedford March [illegible] 185[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Dear Sir — I enclose check for —
Twenty seven hundred thirty two 22/100 dolls
$2732.22 [illegible] Bill yr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] —
We have not yet rec'd all the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] from R. Road [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] come out right — Please send
a receipt — Yrs truly

Wm. [illegible] Treas.

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New Bedford March 13. 1851
Messrs Weld & [illegible]
Gent. We have drawn on you at [illegible] from March [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible] thousand [illegible]
[illegible] 3. [illegible]
which [illegible] please accept [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 13th 1851.

Messrs [illegible] & [illegible]
Gentlemen
We annex a list of our prices current [illegible] which please note [illegible] [illegible] annexed –

[illegible] Cordage	11	[illegible]	12½
Manila Cordage	13½	Manila [illegible]	15½
[illegible]	13	[illegible]	13½
	[illegible]	16	

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]

M. Crosby N. Hunter [illegible]

1851 Bot of A. B. Conklin [illegible]

Jan 11 12 doz [illegible] 1/ [illegible]

[illegible] 18[illegible]

M. Crosby N. Esq

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]	11	[illegible]	12½
[illegible]	12½	[illegible]	12½
[illegible]	13	[illegible]	12½
[illegible]		[illegible]	12½

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford Jany 13. 1851.

Albert G. Brown Esq

Dear Sir

Your favr of 11th is at hand and contents noted — We conform to the price of (Manila Cordage) 13½ and shall charge 15½ for our Whale line with the expectation that you will make it the same with the other manufrs.

We think the Nantucket Cordage Co (Mess Thain & Hedding) would like to join the Assocn as a us it would be for the inter of all of us that they should be so — will you please name the subject at the next meeting and advise Messrs Thain & Wing of the thing.

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford 3 mo 13. 1871.

Albert E. [illegible] Esq.

Dear Sir

Your favor of 11th is at hand and contents noted. In answer to the price of (Manila Cordage) 13½ Tarred Cordage 15½ for our Whale Line with the exception that you will make it the same with the other manufacturers. The Plymouth Cordage Co [illegible] & [illegible] moved [illegible] the price the latter part of December to the rates quoted by us that they should be de-[illegible] you please name the subject at the next meeting and name [illegible] & [illegible] of the [illegible].

Yours Respectfully

[illegible] Treasurer

N. B. Cordage Co.

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[illegible] 14th 1856

Messrs. Kendall, Richardson & Co.
Gents.

We hand you memo
Invoice of 56 Coils Bagging [illegible] & 1 [illegible] for
Messrs. [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]
to [illegible] today care of [illegible] [illegible] —
We have [illegible] the [illegible] to the [illegible]
which we suppose to be [illegible] if not to [illegible]
[illegible] we will make other [illegible]
We [illegible] [illegible] to have [illegible]
[illegible] on the order to enable us to give
you a correct Invoice —

Our price for [illegible]
Bagging is now 13½ [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible] contracts —

[illegible] of 12th [illegible] at
hand [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] as
directed —

Yours Resp'y

L. J. [illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 15. 1851.

Messrs N. [illegible] & Co.

Gentm.

Your favor of 12th inst with enclosure of $15.73 is at hand.
The yarns have all been received and the Battings with the exception of 1 bale 24s. — we having received but 143 Bags in all which agrees with the acct at our Depot.
Will you please look up the missing one and forward it to us & oblige.

Resp. Yours
[illegible]
J. W. [illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 17 1851

Messrs George W. [illegible]
New Haven

[illegible]

We [illegible] to [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Boston.
We [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] from our [illegible] 5% [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible]

[illegible]

Wm. Crosby Jr Esq New Bedford 3 mo 18. 1851.

Dear Sir. We annex Invoice of 10 Coils named in your favor of 15th.

We have no damaged Manila and our price given you are as low as we can afford to sell the sound. We expect a further rise in the price from the last advices from Manila and are not anxious to make sales at present. We hope the Manufac boys will deem it for their advantage to join with the other Manufacturers in establishing a uniform price and we shall see that they have the opportunity to do so. Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer
N.B. Co.

New Bedford 8 mo 22. 1851

Messrs. Burr & Smith

Gentlemen

We have before written you in relation to sales of our cordage but have not as yet received a reply.

You will very much oblige us by forwarding Acct Sales on receipt of this—

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 22. 1851

Messrs Dunn & Smith

Boston

We have before written you in relation to [illegible] of our [illegible] that have not as yet received a reply- You will now [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of this-

Yours Resp[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford 3 mo 20. 1851.

Wm B. Reid Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 20th with its enclosure of Cash's chk on Suffolk Bk Boston for $586.25 in settlement of A. J. Deming & Co's Note sent you for collection, is at hand and for which please accept our thanks.

We note your remarks in regard to Jacob's gang and shall be pleased to close that acct also. We have charged to acct of his share in accordance with your letter to us June 19. 1850. 193 marline cordage and to John Wilcox the balance 191 — acct of which we trust is correct. Hoping to hear from you soon.

We remain

Yours Respy

L. R. Plummer

A. B. Cady & Co

New Bedford 3 mo 2d. 1881.

Wm. H. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 20th inst. in [illegible] of Check on deposit [illegible] Bank for $336.45 in settlement of A. L. [illegible] note sent you for collection, is at hand and for which please accept our thanks -

We note your remarks in regard to Jacob Gray and Stead & Stewart to our Hart acct also. We have charged to acct of his [illegible] in accordance with your letter to us June 19. 1880. 193 [illegible] [illegible] used to [illegible] the balance 191 - [illegible] of which we think is correct. Hoping to hear from you soon.

We remain

New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 26. 1861

[illegible] Williams Esq

Dear Sir

Mr Corey informs us this morning that you are in want of the Wamsutta [illegible] rigging for a ship of 500 tons and that you prefer our [illegible] for the [illegible]

The price is 14 6 mos 1/2 per ct off to [illegible] we shall be pleased to [illegible] to make your order.

Respectfully

[illegible]

A. B. Corey

New Bedford 3 mo 26. 1862

J. J. May Esq
Cashier

Dear Sir

Enclosed we hand Chk on Suffolk Bk Boston for $1190.[illegible] to pay the A. B. Corey Co Note due at your Bank tomorrow — Please pay and return the same &c

Very Resp Yours

[illegible] Simmons

A. B. Corey &c

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New Bedford Jan 26 1852

[illegible]

New Bedford Jan 26 1852

J. J. Gray Esq
Cashier
Dear Sir

Enclosed we hand
check on [illegible] for $1196.23 to
pay the N. B. Cordage Co. Note due at
your bank tomorrow. Please pay and
deliver the Note to

[illegible]
Treasurer
N. B. Cordage Co.

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New Bedford 2 mo 27 1851

Messrs. Howland Richardson & Co.
Boston.

We annex invoice
of the gang for Messrs. G. S. & J. Fuller with
the prices, all of which will we trust be found
correct. We have drawn on your favor of
J. J. Rotch payable at Dennie & Lamson Boston
for $1500.— at 4 mos from 2 mo 21. which
please accept.

Very respectfully
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 2 mo 27 1851

Messrs. Hussey & Robinson
Boston

Yours of [illegible]
of the [illegible] ordered by you to complete
the [illegible] for the Rigged [illegible] — it went to
Boston to day and the bill will be sent
at to your [illegible] —

Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

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New Bergen [illegible]

Messrs [illegible]

Gentlemen

Your favor of 27th came to hand last evening. We are sorry we did not hear from you before the [illegible] was made [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 4 mo 7. 1851.

Saml. Boardman Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 3d is at hand and contents noted. We should be pleased to furnish you with what Cordage you may want at the regular Boston price which we annex - We make but one quality of the Russia Cordage and that is the best.

Russia Tarred Cordage	11c
Manila Cordage	13½c
Houseline	12½c
Houseline & Marline	15c

Terms four months acceptance on Boston or 4% off for cash

from the above prices we should deduct to you ½ per lb on Manila and 5% on Tarred Cordage -

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]
Messrs [illegible]
Gent
The "Shamrock" [illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 4 mo 8th 1851.

F. Burritt Esq.
Dear Sir
Your favor of 2nd is at hand and contents noted –
We will give you $220.- for the 8 mo. for your lot of Russia Hemp say about 38 B[illegible] –
Mr Rotch is now quite unwell & on recovery will decide about the Corn in the market from N. Y. and write you.
Very Respy,
[illegible] & Co
[illegible]

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New Bedford April 7. 1856

Messrs. Merrill & [illegible]
Gentlemen

Please send by [illegible] 1 Bar 1 1/2 in. bar [illegible] 9 ft. long and 6 Bbls 1/2 in. Iron —

We return you the roll of 2 1/2 in. [illegible] sent this morning [illegible] [illegible] 1 1/2 [illegible] [illegible] can [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford April 9. 1857

A. S. Wells Esq.

Your favor of 4 inst. duly rec'd [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] account [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by Mr. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford June 10th 1851

J. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of [illegible]

[illegible] is at hand and contents noted.

Please [illegible] the [illegible] for the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford June 11 1851

Albert G. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

We should be

pleased to hear what arrangement

may have been made with the

Insurance Company. An early reply will

oblige

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford [illegible] 14. 1854

B. B. Haskell Esq.
Dear Sir

We annex invoice of the [casks] for [the vessel] charged at the lowest wholesale prices from which you must [add] a little for your [trouble]. The casks are [done] without interest, and to [now] with [interest] if required and no extension of credit beyond the year.

Very Respy
[illegible]

[illegible] New Bedford [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] Brown Esq.
Dear Sir

[illegible]

New Bedford 8 Sept 17/57

Mess. Grinnell Minturn & Co

Gent — Yrs of 17 inst rec'd. We aim try to give you as good a Duck as before. We do not consider it anything extra here. It is what we commonly make, but no doubt better than any that [illegible] you had before. On your order you say you want 300 lb of Marline to serve the Ends of the Rigging. Don't you mean Houseline which is 3 thread?

We have no Draft on you according to our Books due 12/15. There is one due 2/15 and is for $1500.

Yrs Truly

Wm Rotch [illegible]

Athol Depot April 23. 1857

Benjamin Chamberlain Esq

Dear Sir: Yr favor of 19 inst rec'd. Please forward the Spinning Wheels by Rail Road immediately. We want three 100 Large Bobbins as soon as we can have them. Please inform me how soon you could furnish them and at what price. You know what our Large Bobbins are.

Mr Evans has gone to Russia and it is doubtful when he [illegible] of [illegible] may keep him in St Petersburg. We want a First rate man to take his place in charge of our Factory Machine Shop. If you could find such an one who understood all about the business we should [illegible] to pay a very handsome Salary. Do you know where we could find such a man?

Yr truly [illegible]

New Bedford 4 mo 24. 1851

Francis Bonnet Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor

of 23rd enclosing Bill of Russia Hemp

amt [illegible] at 8 mos from the 9th is at hand.

Enclosed [illegible] [illegible] Chk on

Merchants Bank N. York for $655 78/100 for

nett of same by the discount stated

in your favor of 11th. Please hand

me receipt [illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford 4 mo 25. 18[illegible]

Messrs E. D. Brigham & Co.

Gentlemen

We enclose the [illegible] settlement of your [illegible] Hemp of 21st [illegible] the account of 4% – (837) [illegible] the receipt of which please acknowledge.

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

A. D. Weld Esq

New Bedford 4 mo 29. 18[illegible]

Dear Sir

Above please find Note payment R. T. Shawes [illegible] 200 Bales Manila hemp. Please have the [illegible] receipted. We [are] not at present in want of any American Hemp.

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

Messrs E. D. Bingham & Co.
Boston

New Bedford 4 mo 25. 1861

We accept the
[illegible] draft of your [illegible] 17th
for the amount of $1887.03 the
freight of [illegible]

Resp
Yours
[illegible]

A. S. Wood Esq

New Bedford 4 mo 29. 1861

Dear Sir

Have been given [illegible]
that [illegible] 300 Bales Manila Hemp
[illegible] by [illegible] - We are
not at present in want of any [illegible]
Hemp -

Resp
Yours
[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 1861.

P. A. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

We [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Dear Sir

If the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Plymouth [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] price

for 1500 large & 1000 small [illegible]
for 1000 large & 1000 small [illegible]
for 1000 large & 500 small [illegible] [illegible]
in all respects [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible] [illegible]

Please [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford May 1 1851
Mess Todd & Mackie
Gent= We have been looking to receive from you our Card & Blank you gave us reason to think we should have about the first of last month — Please inform me by return mail how soon you can forward them as I fear [illegible] [illegible] that we are very anxious to have them as soon as possible

Yours truly
pr Robt Bell [illegible]
N Bedford [illegible]

New Bedford 5 mo 2 1851
J. May Esq Cash
Friend
We enclose the [illegible] Suffolk Bk Boston for $263.47 [illegible] N. B. [illegible] accepted [illegible] at your [illegible] — Please pay and return the [illegible]

Thy friends
[illegible]
[illegible]

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New Orleans 23 March 1857.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] of the [illegible] No 5 2 for [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] to the [illegible] for [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] payable at [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] for [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford [illegible] 1861

Capt James A. [illegible]
Ship [illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible]

[illegible]

Marked C.

1 Coil	3½	[illegible]	230	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	3½	[illegible]	144	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	13	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	114
2	16	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	9		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
9	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]		
[illegible]			[illegible]		

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New Bedford Jany 7. 1851.

H. B. Read Esq
Dear Sir

We enclose check on Suffolk Bk Boston for $232.26 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours Resp[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

We [illegible]

[illegible] $117.99 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford May 8. 1851

Daniel [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — Yr favor of [illegible] inst. [illegible]

[illegible] by Express to the two dozen Bobbins [illegible]
[illegible] large & one small, to give you the size
length &c — We should like 50 dozen [illegible]
[illegible] made in very perfect [illegible] &
[illegible] to the Sample — We would
[illegible] that you [illegible] the Bobbins are
[illegible] for Thirty cents each [illegible]
[illegible] we should expect [illegible] to the [illegible]
[illegible] if delivered there
[illegible] these in [illegible] Plymouth — We [illegible]
[illegible] agree to take the above quantity
[illegible] the same terms as you [illegible]
[illegible] & make them as soon as you
[illegible] make them —

Yrs Truly Wm L Rotch [illegible]

Please let me hear from you —

If the ~~[illegible]~~ Bobbin [illegible]
[illegible] shall want a good many more —
[illegible] particular and have the Bobbins uniform
[illegible] to be large enough & [illegible]

New Bedford May 8. 1857

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir — [illegible] yours [illegible]
with [illegible] enclosed for [illegible] — which we annex
I think there must be some mistake
about the price you obtained in Boston —
they are [illegible] there not to sell for
less than [illegible] per barrel [illegible]
was not the price obtained by [illegible]
at which the manufacturers sell to the
Ship Chandlers or to Retailers — We [illegible]
sell in [illegible] [illegible] but can hardly
think the price [illegible] the regular
price for consumers. Please let me know
where you obtained the price [illegible]
investigate the matter & you may rest assured
our price shall not be higher than the
[illegible]

Yours Truly Wm. Rotch [illegible]

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New Bedford May 8. 1851

Daniel Jewell Esq

Dear Sir

Yours favor of 6th is rec'd. We send by Express to-day two of our Bobbins viz. One large and one small to give you the size length &c. We should like 500 large & 1000 small, made in every respect similar to those furnished to Mr Spooner. We understood him that you delivered his bobbins in Plymouth for 30¢ each and if so we should expect you to do the same for us as it costs no more to deliver them here than in Plymouth. We therefore will agree to take the above quantity on the same terms as you furnish Mr Spooner & want them as soon as you can make them

Yours Truly Wm & R Rodman[?]

Please let me hear from you

If the bobbins give us satisfaction we shall want a good many more. Be particular and have the bobbins conform to our samples as to size length bore &c &c —

New Bedford May 8. 1851

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 6th inst we received by express to-day two of our bottoms. The large ones we made to give you the size length etc. — The smaller like 600 bags & 1000 bags, made in every respect similar to those furnished to the Agents. We understand since that you received his bottoms in Plymouth for 50 cts each and if so we should expect you to do the same for us as it costs us more to deliver them than in Plymouth. We thought we agreed to take the above quantity at the same terms as you furnish the Agents & want them as soon as you can make them

Yours Truly [illegible]

Please let me hear from you

If the bottoms give us satisfaction we shall want a good many more. The fabrication used above the bottoms conform to our sample as to size length etc. —

[illegible]

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

We [illegible] you [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Bank [illegible]

[illegible]

Very Resp[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford May 1[illegible] 1857
Mess Warren [illegible]
Dear Sir—
We [illegible]
to receive as soon as possible the [illegible]
which we contracted [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Yours [illegible]

New Bedford May 14. 1857
Mess Randall & Richardson
Gent—
We have yours of [illegible]
note contents— [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
same stock [illegible]
We did not perceive [illegible]
appearance [illegible]
to have any— [illegible]
think [illegible]
Yrs Truly
[illegible]
Do you expect [illegible]

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New Bedford May 7 1847

Edwd L. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — Above I hand you copy of [illegible] the [illegible]. Please inform me how you would like it settled. We should also be pleased to receive your orders for [illegible] & have no doubt but that we can give you satisfaction.

Yrs truly Wm. [illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

J. B. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir: [illegible] enclosed you [illegible] which we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford 5 mo 23. 51

Theodore Chase Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor with memorandum of standing rigging for your new ship came duly to hand & we are this morning in receipt of your favor of yesterday with memorandum of running rigging to be used in launching both of which will receive

New Bedford 5 mo 23. '71

Theodore Lyman Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor with
Minutes of Fisheries Meeting for [illegible]
New Bedf. Came duly to hand & the
[illegible] this morning in receipt of your
favor of application with minutes of meeting
respecting the [illegible] in [illegible]
Vote of which will [illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible] Esq

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Esq

[illegible]

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New Bedford May 29. 1857

Messrs Todd & MacKay & Co.

Gent -

We have Rec^d Eleven Boxes of Machinery & Rope, &c - see some one from your Establishment as soon as possible to put up the Machines - Please inform me by return mail how soon we may expect to see your Agent here -

Yr Truly

Wm J Rotch Treas

N Bedford Cordage Co

New Bedford May 29. 1857 -

J. Clapp,

Dear Sir - I enclose a copy of the Agreement with Todd & Merrit -

We do not care to go on our terms quite yet -

Yr Truly Wm J Rotch Treas

New Bedford 5 mo. 2[illegible] 1851

[illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible] of 26th

with [illegible] of 7 [illegible] [illegible] which [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford May 31st [illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir — I [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Should the next Cargo [illegible]

equal to this [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford May 30 1851

[illegible] Esq

[illegible]

Telegraph [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

Wm Pritchard Esq
Dear Sir

The [illegible] is to you
to say [illegible] have [illegible] the [illegible] of
[illegible] for [illegible] [illegible]
62 bbls @ 15 [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] from the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Will you be so kind
as to get the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of
transportation [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] not [illegible] [illegible]
as [illegible] [illegible] people that [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] 1861

[illegible] Chase Esq

Dear Sir

We have received [illegible] one of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] satisfactory.

Yours truly

[illegible]

[illegible]

New York June 10 [illegible]

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] Cunningham Battery [illegible] But we prefer to hear from [illegible] first

We [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Truly Yours

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Bell

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] for the [illegible]

[illegible] from the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] share [illegible]

[illegible] Mr Bell

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] your answer [illegible] please inform

[illegible] by return mail —

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 1861

Wm. [illegible] Esq.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible] 1846

Thomas A. [illegible] Esq.

[illegible]

[illegible] can send

[illegible] receipt [illegible] as soon as you

[illegible]

400 ft 1 7/8 [illegible]

[illegible] 1 1/2

200 1 1/4

200 1

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible]

Gentlemen [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] for the [illegible]

you are forwarded [illegible] for [illegible]

Very Respectfully

[illegible] Servant

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Very truly Yours

[illegible]

[illegible] 1851

[illegible] Esq
Dear Sir

Your favor of 9th [illegible] its enclosure [illegible] for $[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] 1851.

A. B. Haskell Esq
Dear Sir

Your favor of 6th with its enclosure of $138 settling the acct of [illegible] and [illegible] came duly to hand & for which we thank you.

We annex our lowest prices for the cordage you speak of and trust you can use them.

Russia Tarred Cordage	11c	6 mos from Delivery in Bost
Am Hackled "	10c	
Manila "	13½c	

We have no [illegible] and cannot therefore give you a price for that. We [illegible] not [illegible] the [illegible] to [illegible] that quality on these terms at any price.

[illegible] 1861

W. Crosby Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

[illegible]

[illegible] they were [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] the last case [illegible] no difficulty in [illegible] them.

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford June 12. 48

Messrs [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

4 cask 32 [illegible]
[illegible] 32 [illegible]
[illegible] 32 [illegible]

Please [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford June 12. 48

Messrs [illegible]

Gent

I write to say that we have taken thirty [illegible] of the [illegible] reported in the Chronicle [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for cash [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] are equal in quality to those purchased by you from the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] shall be made to conform to that [illegible].

Yours truly Wm [illegible] Treas

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[illegible]

[illegible] Aug 11, 1857
Messrs [illegible]
Gents

[illegible] send check for 541.0
in paym't [illegible] R. R. [illegible]
Please acknowledge receipt & oblige
Yours truly
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
Dear [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Yours
[illegible]

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New Bedford Dec 16th 1851

Thomas H. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Enclosed is

Ck on Suffolk Bk. Boston for $[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Bill Say One thou [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dollars ($[illegible]) the receipt of which please acknowledge

Yours Respy

L. A. [illegible]

W. [illegible]

New Bedford Dec [illegible] 1851

Messrs H & J. B. Libby

71 Comm^l St. Boston

Gents

We send [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] R^d the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Rich [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 73 [illegible] 3. 16 [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] R.R. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] your [illegible]

Yours Respy

L. A. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] Smith —
Dear Madam — I [illegible]
[illegible] 13th and [illegible]
or One hundred and fifty [illegible]
[illegible] Capt. [illegible] Smith
of my Ship Hector — which I [illegible]
[illegible] Please [illegible]
you receive it. [illegible]
[illegible] in the [illegible]
take it to the Bank [illegible]
[illegible] If you get any [illegible]
Captain Smith I hope [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
yrs truly [illegible]

New Bedford 6 mo 17. 1851
A. C. Crosby Jr. Esq
Dear Sir: Your favor of 12th with
Cashr Chk on N. B. Com'l Bank for One
Thousand dollars is at hand and
for which we thank you. We await
arrival of the 2 Coils [illegible]
Very Respy
[illegible]
A. B. [illegible]

W. Crosby N. Esq. New Bedford June 17. 1851

Dear Sir, Yours of 13th inst. [illegible] Bank [illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible]

Mr Stone[illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible] in the World. [illegible]

[illegible] from the above statements you [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford 6 Mo. 17. 1851

[illegible]

Gentlemen

Your two favs of 13th with Acct for $232.77 settling our [illegible] of [illegible] & [illegible] for the Brig [illegible] before [illegible] & we [illegible] make the [illegible] at the [illegible] [illegible] this morning [illegible] of 14th with [illegible] for [illegible] which we [illegible] forward at once. We have enclosed invoice of the [illegible] which went in the Boston [illegible] [illegible]

Resp[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 6 mo 18. 1851

Wm. A. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 16th with Cash[illegible] Check on [illegible] for $615.29 in settlement [illegible] [illegible] for which we thank you.

Resp[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford June 16. 1[illegible].

W. H. Monroe Esq

Dear Sir — In [illegible] 11[illegible] inst [illegible] seventy one 63/100 [illegible] by Black [illegible] [illegible] for which please accept my thanks —

Yours Truly
Wm. Rick

New Bedford June [illegible]
[illegible] Esq
Dear Sir. [illegible] we have not heard from you since [illegible] the pleasure of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] contracts [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] Co —

Died at your place
erased from the letter

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[illegible]

Wm [illegible] Esq
Dear Sir

We [illegible]
have seen the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] C [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] Co

[illegible] Esq.

Dear Sir Your favor of 17th is rec^d enclosing check for the [illegible] where [illegible] credit. We hope you [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] that we [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Oct 20. 1851

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] on the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

We [illegible] this morning the receipt of your favor of 17th [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] amount [illegible] the [illegible] $2030.92 which [illegible] will be found correct [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Sherman

[illegible]

New Bedford Oct 20. 1851

Sherman Clark Esq

Dear Sir [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford June 23. 1857
Messrs Henry Pattison & Co
Gent^n —

I enclose check for $500 to
be [illegible] Wm B S Rotch by next steamer —
Please acknowledge receipt and oblige
yr Truly
[illegible]

No sales of Manganese stock
None offering in the market.

New Bedford June 23 [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

New [illegible] 6 mo 26. 1851. 182

[illegible] Esq
[illegible]

[illegible]

23rd [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

New [illegible] 1851

Messrs. Jones & Hamilton
Gentlemen
Your favor of 23rd
to Mr Rowe is at hand—
We annex a list of our prices and
should be pleased to receive your order

Hemp [illegible]	10
Russia	11
Manila Cordage	13½

Among those [illegible] Boston [illegible]

from above price we should deduct
to you 5% on the Tarred & ½ per lb
on Manila Cordage.

Yours Respectfully

New Bedford June 27 18[illegible]
Geo. S. [illegible]

Dear Sir — Yours of 23 [illegible]
Am not aware of any [illegible] distinction [illegible] place in the [illegible]
in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] would not [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] office [illegible]
[illegible] have [illegible] here [illegible]
inform us that we cannot make the [illegible]
[illegible] & think it [illegible] must have time
to make [illegible] [illegible] unassisted. We [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] upon the [illegible]
we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that will
to [illegible] [illegible] any unnecessary trouble but we
must inform you that we cannot [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] any [illegible] until [illegible]
[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir [illegible]

[illegible] time before the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Nov 27/51

Chas. Hammond Esq

Dear Sir

Above is bill on New York for $432.00 the balance of your bill of Cargo Coal per Schr [illegible] the receipt of which please acknowledge.

I am expecting another [illegible] cargo [illegible] of the best upon the same terms [illegible]

Yours Respy

L. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 1861

[illegible]

Please
send us 58 ft 7 [illegible] the
best [illegible] you had –

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Please send us
12 Bars 5/8 Rd. Steel
2 " 5/8 Sq. "
2 Sheets Steel [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Posted to here. 186

New Bedford 6 mo 28. 1851.

Messrs. Randall Richardson & Co.
[illegible]

We have completed the Iron Gang for the brig & can send it in to Boston at any time. Please inform us to whose care in Boston we shall direct it, to be forwarded to you.

Yours Respy
L. A. Hummel [illegible]
A. R. & Co

Pelot & Lowe.

New Bedford 6 mo 28. 1851.

Mess. Kinsey, Richardson & Co.

Gents

We have con-
-cluded the offer you gave for the [illegible] &
[illegible] since it is to Boston at any tim-
Please inform us to whom can
in Boston we Please deliver it, to
forward to you- Yours respectfully

[illegible]

New Bedford July [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford July 3. 1857
Messrs V. Rogers & Co
Gent = I enclose check for five thousand dollars on % of [illegible] funds. We shall forward the Balance together with notes for the [illegible] when we receive the Rec'ds. If you make up from the "Medora's" [illegible] that the lack of our ten tons by [illegible] it [illegible] enough for us as it is [illegible] i.e. If we now receive big tons [illegible] in favor from "Medora" or whatever the Balance may be.

Yrs truly
[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Jan 6. 1851

Isaac Clapp Esq

Dear Sir

[illegible] of 6th is at hand. Enclosed we [illegible] the contract with Mr Thos. [illegible] for 400 bls Manila Hemp signed as requested.

Yours Respectfully

S. H. [illegible]

N. B. [illegible] & Co

[illegible]

Catholics in [illegible]

[illegible] return and satisfaction [illegible]

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New Bedford 7 mo 5. 1851

Messrs. W. Roper & Co.
Gentm
Your favor of 3rd is at hand. The quantity named to you in our favor of 2nd is all that we shall want of the Missa Hemp in the meadow -
Yours Respy
L. & Plummer
J. R. Crapo.

New Bedford 7 mo 5. 1851

B. B. Hesketh Esq
Dear Sir
Your favor of 1st with its enclosure of letter of papers is at hand and we credit the same as advised
Schr. Robt Bruce Ins in full 260.00
Bark Geo. L. Dunbar Ins on Acct 160. -
[illegible]
Yours Respy
L. & Plummer
J. R. Crapo

We have just recd. your favor of 3rd with check for One Thousand Dollars which we credit to acct Ship Minseongus tons as advised -

1390

New Bedford 7 mo 3. 1837

Messrs M. Rogers & Co
Quebec(?)

Your favor of 3d is at hand. The quantity named to you in our favor of 2d is all that we have sent of the [illegible] in the Mercury -

Yours Respectfully
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 7 mo 5. 1837

A. A. Harker(?) Esq
Dear Sir

Your favor of 1st with the enclosure of ck of $3700 is at hand and we credit the same to account.

Also Nett [illegible] 2.16.44
[illegible] 1.62 -
$376.44(?)

Yours Respectfully
[illegible]
[illegible]

We have just rec'd your favor of 3d with ck for One Thousand Dollars which we credit to acct Ship Mercury now as advised -

New Bedford June 8. 1851.

John N. Cushing Esq
Newburyport

Dear Sir,

We [illegible] informs us that you are in the want of a gang of Cordage for a vessel of 400 tons and that you would like our terms for furnishing the same which we annex and should be pleased to fill your order with as good a gang as those that we have before made for your place.

Tarred Cordage Russia 11c
Manilla 12½
Hemp [illegible] 15c
Manilla Cordage 13½
All in Newburyport - [illegible] from [illegible]
2½ off for cash

Yours Respectfully
L. A. Plummer
[illegible]

New Bedford 7 mo 5. 1851

Wm Forbes Esq

Dear Sir

We have recd from Mr Pritchard of your place the freight bill on a parcel of cordage sent to him in which we notice the charge of $5.25 for the carting in Boston. We have sent before this for freight of Cordage over your road on which the same charge was made and afterwards deducted by the parties. as the [illegible] charge $1.75 per ton including the carting in Boston

We suppose you will not wish us pay more than is customary and that you will correct the charge making it the same as your charge the [illegible] post proper

Yours Resp'y

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 7 mo 8. 1851

We have rec'd from
place the
age last
the charge of $5.25
. We have the
Carriage. Also your
Charge, and more
by the parties, as
Charge $4.75 per
ing in Boston
will not now we pay
and that you
machine in the
machine just before

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New Bedford 7 mo 3. 1851

Mess Todd, Mackay & Co

Gentm Your favor of 28th is recd. In reply I would say that I am much pleased with the operation of the Picker & card - I should be equally pleased with the Spinning frame, but for the Fixture This I think inferior to the one which we have upon our fliers, and which presents a more uniform ~~tension~~ - the result of the whole is quite equal to our anticipation and I have no hesitation in pronouncing it a very great improvement in the production of yarn

Yrs truly

Wamsutta Mills

W Rotch Jr

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 3. 1851

[illegible]

Your favor of 28th is rec? In reply I would say that I am much pleased with the operation of the Picker & Card. I would be equally pleased with the Spinning frame, but for the frame this I think superior to the one which we have before our eyes and which seems a more uniform *fabric*. The result of the whole is quite equal to our anticipation and I have no hesitation in pronouncing it a very great improvement in the production of yarn.

Yours truly

[illegible]

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New Bedford 7 mo 5. 1851

Messrs. Kendall, Richardson & Co.

Gentlemen.

Your favor of 27th June with Acct current to that date and your Note at 4 mos for $1273.90 to balance. also Note $624.14 June 13. 6 mos settling our bill Manila Cordage is at hand and for which we thank you - We have recd your favor of 30th with memorandum for Gang No 6. J. D. & Co. and that of 2d with memorandum of Briggs gang. both of which we shall attend to in season - In regard to the Com. on the ship Tropic gang and the one now making for Mr Hussey - Mr Rotch will write you in the course of next week, he is now absent but will return by that time - We wrote you on the 28th June in regard to the Ann gang, is it to be sent in to Boston care of Messrs E & Lawson to be forwarded? Please state in your next that we may give it the right direction

Yours Respectfully

C. Plummer

N. B. C. Co.

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New Bedford 7 mo 8. 1857

Messrs. [illegible] Richardson & Co.

Gents:

Your favor of 27th came with settlement to that date and your note at 4 mo. for $1273.90 to balance, also note for 224.14 due 13 6 mo. settling our bill [illegible] is at hand and for which we thank you. We have rec'd your favor of 30th with invoice for bag [illegible] C. T. D. Co. and that of 2d with invoice of Bing gang, both of which we shall attend to in season. We agree to the Cond. on the Ship Indian's gang and they are now making for the Harvey. We wrote and wrote you in the course of our work, he is now about but [illegible] by that time. We wrote you on the 28th June in regard to the New gang, as it is to be sent in to Boston Car. of Wm. Erickson to be forwarded? Please state in your answer that we may give it the right direction

Yours Respy

[illegible]

M. B. C.

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New Bedford 7 mo 10. 1851

Albert G. Brown Esq

Dear Sir

I find on my return that the last price for Manila Towlines was 15½ as named by you quoting an advance ½ per lb on that making the price now 16 of which please inform the other members and oblige

Yours Respy G A Plummer
Wm Cole

New Bedford 7 mo 10. 1851

M. Crosby Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

On and after this date our price for Manila Cordage will be 14 per Manila Towlines 16 which please note in future contracts till further advised.

Yours Respy
G A Plummer
Wm Cole

Albert G. Brown Esqr New Bedford 7 mo 10. 1851

Dear Sir

We give our notice
that the last price for Manila
Cordage was 15 1/2 as named by your agency
the advance 1/2 pr lb on that making
the price now 16 cts. Wilt thou please inform
the other companies and oblige

Thine &c Wm J. Howland
[illegible]

New Bedford 7 mo 10. 1851

M. Crocker Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

On and after this
date our price for Manila Cordage will
be 16 1/2 for Manila Twine 16 cts. where
made to note in future contracts till further
advice.

Yours Respectfully
J. Howland
M. H. & Co

New Bedford 7 mo 10. 1851

Wm N. Ropes & Co.

Gentlm

We hand enclosed chk on Suffolk Bk Boston for $2636.08 in settlement bill yarns and Russia Hemp & bill labor, for which please hand receipt.

The Notes for bill Manila Hemp we will send you in a few days.

Have you any Russia Boltrope on hand from which you would sell us a few coils to make our assortment complete.

Yours Respy

C. A. Plummer

M Ulele

Bill Yarns	$6305.35
" Hemp	1645.87
	7951.22
Off 4 %	318.04
	7633.18
Bill Labor	2.90
	$7636.08

7/2 Remittance	5000.—	
10 "	2636.08	7636.08

New Bedford June 10. 1851

Mess. M. Hoppin & Co.
Boston

We have received the [illegible] on Suffolk Bk Boston for $2636.08 in settlement this year and Bunker Hill [illegible] Cope, for which please hand receipt.

The Notes for the Manila Hemp we will send you in a few days.

Have you any Russia Bolts we have [illegible] some which you would like at a fair price to make our assortment complete.

Yours Respy
[illegible]

Bill Amount	$6305.32
	1645.87
	7951.23
	318.04
	7633.18
Bill Labor	2.90
	$7636.08
To Remittance	5000.00
	2636.08
	7636.08

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New Bedford 7 mo 10. 51

South Boston Iron Co

Gentm - We wish you to send us a gear 12" diameter to pitch line - tooth 3 1/4" long - 1" deep - 1 1/2" pitch - 25 teeth - 4 arms with square hub - We had such a gear from you about a year since and suppose you will know the right pattern from the above description we want this at once - Please send it as soon as possible

Yours Respy
L. A. Plummer
W. Blake

7/14 - the hub of Gear to be square the hole in hub round 2 1/2" diameter hub 4 1/2" across - send soon as possible

New Bedford July 11. 1851

Messrs James Cocker & Co

Gentm Enclosed is check on Fulton Bk New York for $36.5/100 in settlement your bill since first of Jany 2 ?? with 6 mos int added Please forward receipt & oblige

Yours Respy
L. A. P. Blake

[illegible] New Bedford Jan 10. 51

[illegible]

Yours Respectfully

[illegible]

New Bedford July 11. 1851

Messrs [illegible] & Co

Gentlemen

[illegible] New York for $36.70 [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours Respectfully

[illegible]

New Bedford July 11. 1851 198

Dear Michael,

I found your letter on my return home yesterday, and now send you my note for $1000 and a check on the Fulton Bk N. York for the Balance and int viz 275.25 / 8.08 283.33. the interest to this day. You can get the money by putting your name on the back of the check. I hope you will receive it all safely. Write me on receipt of it and let me know what you are going to do

Ever your friend W. O. R.

New Bedford 7 mo 11. 1851

Messrs W. Roper & Co

Gentlemen We enclose our three notes for $1980 each in payment of your bill of 200 Bales Manila the receipt of which please acknowledge. Should you want to use the notes & will be kind enough to notify us at the time, we may be in ~~[illegible]~~ a situation to Cash them with pleasure, though at present we are not sufficiently flush to make simple interest an inducement

Yours truly

Wm J Rotch Jr

New Bedford Jan 11. 1871

Dear Michael I found your letter on my return from Saturday and now send you my note for $1500 and a check on the Boston Nat. B. Bank for the balance and int

275.25
8.08

282.33. the interest to this day. You can get the money by putting your name on the back of the check. I hope you will receive it all safely. Write me on receipt of it and let me know what you are going to do

Yr Aunt D. Greene M.D.R.

Messrs M. Bolles & Co. New Bedford Jany 11. 1871
Boston

Gentlemen We enclose our three notes for $1980 each in payment of your bill of 200 Bales Manila the receipt of which please acknowledge. Should you want to use the notes & write the Bank enough to notify us at the time. We may be in ~~future~~ a situation to cash them with pleasure, though at present we are not sufficiently flush to make discount without our endorsement

Wm [illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 7 mo 11. 1851

Messrs Glidden & Williams

Gentlemen

We annex Invoice of the Pilot boat gang which has gone to-day & will we hope give good satisfaction - With regard to the extension of the credit on the last gang we shall be glad to accommodate you and take the notes proposed by you viz John Bertram one half Twombley & Lamson one Quarter & your own one quarter 6 mos from the time it is due viz Sept 1. 1851

Yours Truly Wm Rotch Jr

New Bedford 7 mo 11. 1851

Messrs Kendall Richardson & Co.

Gentlemen

We annex Invoice of the gang for the Brig. We never recd the letter to which you allude in yrs of 8th directing us to forward it. It has gone to-day - We are a little surprised at the claim made by you for Comn on gangs furnished by us for the ships Tropic & the new one now building for Mr Hussey - In both these ships we are owners - and in both we agreed to take an interest on the sole condition that we furnished the Cordage - You did not see either and had no agency direct or indirect in making the sale - Had we supposed that we should be expected to pay a Comn on these gangs if the ships were built in Bath, that very circumstance might have induced us to make it also a condition that they should be built elsewhere, a condition which we could certainly have made in one ship & undoubtedly in the other - We should

New Bedford 7 mo 11. 1871

Wm Bledsoe [?] & Williams

Boston

We received Invoice of the Pilot boat gang which has gone to-day & which we hope give good satisfaction. With regard to the extension of the Credit on the last gang we shall be glad to accommodate you and take the Note referred to by you of John Bertram [?] on Boty [?] Townsend & Lamson [?] endorsed & your own Note [?] for the time it is due by Sept. 1. 1871

Yours truly Wm Rotch Jr

New Bedford 7 mo 11. 1871

Wm Howland Richardson & Co

Boston

We received Invoice of the gang for the Brig. We now enc. the letter to which you allude in yr of 8th ultimo & we forward it. It has gone to-day. We are a little surprised at the claim made by you for Comm on gangs furnished by us for the ship Sappho [?] & the three now building for the Houses [?]. The latter three ships are our own - and in letter we agreed to take an interest in the 3rd [?] Crescent that we furnished the Cordage. You did not [?] letter and had no agency whatever in making the sale. Had we supposed that we should be expected to pay a Comm on these gangs of the ships now built in Bath, that any Commissions might have induced us to make it also a condition that they should be built elsewhere, or condition which we could certainly have made in one ship & most certainly in the others. We should

however be glad to hear from you on what grounds you make the claim and if founded in justice we certainly shall be willing to agree to it—

Yours Truly

Wm R Rotch Jr.

P.S. Mess. Infant. Drummond & Co. informed Mr Howry that you offered our Cordage on a credit of 6 mos from the commencing of the ship, delivered in Bath. We informed Mr Howry that this was a mistake inasmuch as our price as given you in our letter of March 10 1851 was 6 mos from average delivery in Boston—

We annex our prices as fixed from and after this day until further change is made— They are the lowest Boston prices—

Russia Cordage from Russ Hemp	11ᵈ
ditto " " " Yarns	10½ᵈ
American Hackled Hemp Cordage	9½ᵈ
ditto Unhackled " "	9ᵈ
Russia Boltrope	12½ᵈ
Norwline	12½ᵈ
Houseline & Marline	15ᵈ
Manila Cordage	14ᵈ

6 mos from average delivery in Boston or 4%, off for Cash

Wm R Rotch Mass

W R R & Co

however be glad to hear from you on what grounds
you make the claim and if founded in justice
we certainly shall be willing to agree to it -

Yours truly
[illegible]

P.S. Our Superint. Drummond informs the Company
that you offered the Cordage on a claim of
three years. Manufacturing of the duck. allowing no
Bolts - He informs the Company that this was
a mistake in amount as our price as given you
in our letter of March 14 1871 was 6 cents from
Cordage duties in Boston -

We annex our prices as fixed now and after
this day until further change is made - they
are the lowest Boston prices -

Russia Cordage from Bay State	11 c
Ditto " Tarry	10 1/2 c
American Hackled Hemp Cordage	9 1/2 c
Ditto Unhackled "	9 c
Russia Bolt Rope	12 1/2 c
Manilla	12 1/2 c
[illegible] Manilla	15 c
Manila Cordage	14 c

Cents from Cordage duties in
Boston 2 1/2 % per Cent

[illegible] Treas
[illegible]

New Bedford 7 mo 15th 1851

New Bedford 7 mo 16. 1851

Wm Graves Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We hand annexed Bill of Cordage furnished Mr Jackman of your place, with an order on him in your favor for the Amt $2038.93, which please collect for us. We were to deliver this gang in Newburyport and the freight & carting Mr J. told us he would pay & the price $1.75 per ton please deduct from the bill. The gang was to be due on the 1st July and we were to discount 4% for cash at any time within 30 days -

[illegible] Jany 13th 1871

[illegible] Jany 16. 1871

Gentlemen

We have drawn upon [illegible] Bill of Exchange favour Mr Jackson of your place, with our note on [illegible] [illegible] for the sum £2038.93, which please collect for us. We are to receive this money in [illegible] and the freight & commission [illegible] [illegible] per [illegible] please deduct from the bill. The money is to be collected on the 1st July and we are to allow 4% for Cash at any time within 30 days -

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G. W. Jackman Jr
New Bark [illegible]

Newburyport Bot of N B [illegible]
Gang of Russia & Manila Cordage
marked J. Per Bill Rend 17162 lbs $2038.93

New Bedford 6 mo 20. 1851
Did at Newburyport 6 mo

New Bedford 7 mo 16. 1851
Please pay to the order of Wm Graves Jr. Amt
of above Bill of Cordage $2038.93 and his
receipt for the same will be in full
of all demands Yours Respy
To G. W. Jackman Jr Esq [illegible]
Newburyport Mass N B [illegible]

B. W. Jackson [illegible]
New York [illegible]
Newburyport [illegible] Bill of Merchandise
[illegible]
[illegible] £2038.9.3
Newburyport June 20. 1857
[illegible] at Newburyport [illegible]

Newburyport 7 March 1857
Please pay to the order of [illegible]
the Bill of Exchange £2038.9.3 and [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
To B. W. Jackson Esq.
Newburyport Mass.

[illegible] Jan 4 1846

John Doane Esq
Dear Sir

We have sent to Boston to day 107 Bolts [illegible] $6,227.17 which you will please ship for us by first good vessel to Bath [illegible] [illegible] Please get bill lading and [illegible] as soon as you [illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Esq
Dear Sir

Your favor of [illegible] we have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

July 18. 1851

Trufant Drummond & Co

Gentlemen We annex Invoice of Cordage for the New Ship -

New Bedford July 21. 1851

Mess E. D. Bigham & Co

Gentlemen Your several favors of 14. 15 & 17 were duly recd & would have received earlier attention but for my absence from town - We are much obliged for your information respecting the am Hemp market, just now we are not in want - When I am next in Boston I will see you upon the subject - Enclosed is Chk for $436.62 in payment of your bill of 27th less 3½ % the receipt of which please acknowledge

Yours Truly

Wm Rotch Jr

July 18. 1851

[illegible] & Co

Gentlm We enclose invoice of Cocoa for the New Ship -

New Bedford July 21 1851

Mess E. D. Bingham & Co

Gentlm Your esteemed favors of 14. 15 & 17 inst duly rec'd & would have received earlier attention but for my absence from home -

We are much obliged for your information respecting the [illegible] market, just now we are not in want - When I am next in Boston I will see you upon the subject - Enclosed is Chk for $536.62 in payment of your bill of 27th Ult 3/2 the receipt of which please acknowledge

Yours Truly

[illegible] Jr

[illegible] 1850

Messrs Howard & Co.

Gentlemen

Above is our [illegible] dollars and your [illegible] due July 10th with 15 days int. added for which please [illegible] We will write you on receipt of this [illegible] [illegible]

Yours Respy

[illegible]

W. H. Howard & Co.

[illegible] 1851

Messrs. Howard Son & Co.

Gentlemen

Above is our [illegible] 45 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Please [illegible] receipt

Yours Respy

[illegible]

W. H. Howard & Co.

New Bedford July 25. 1851
J. Clapp Esq
Dear Sir Your favor of 22 is
rec'd. The Epaminondas will be in so late that
we do not care to purchase any of her Hemp
Yours truly
Wm. R. Rotch Jr

New Bedford 7 mo 26. 1851
M. Crosby Jr. Esq
Dear Sir
Your favors of 19
& 24th are at hand - We have a con-
[illegible] of 12 bales brand - [illegible]
stand very well in our place - and
are thought to be good - In regard to the
sale of Rope made by Mr Brown we would
say that all the Manufctrs have the right
to make sales direct at their [illegible] price
in lots of $500 & over at the regular price
less the Comn - This was decided on at
our last meeting to prevent the ship

New Bedford July 25. 1851

J. Clapp Esq

Dear Sir

Your fav of 22 is

rec'd: The Champion [illegible] is to late then

we are not able to purchase any of the [illegible]

you name

Yours Respy [illegible]

New Bedford June 26. 1851

W. C. Emery [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 19

& 24th are at hand - We received a [illegible]

[illegible] of 12 Casks [illegible] - [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] in our place - [illegible]

[illegible] to be good - In regard to the

[illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] by Mr [illegible] we [illegible]

say that [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]

to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] on the [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] - [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible]

Chandler in Boston from selling goods at less than the Manufrs prices which had been done in several cases.

If your friends in Nantucket prefer to go to Boston for their Cordage for the sake of the Com: we dont see how it can be avoided under the present regulations as we cannot reduce our prices to you

New Bedford July 22 1851

Messrs W. Rotch [illegible]

Gent:- Yrs of 25 inst - We [illegible] you the money for the notes by the [illegible] of the [illegible] - We find that you have been somewhat [illegible] in the [illegible] - the inside of very many bunches being very [illegible] & very inferior to the outside!

Yrs truly

Wm Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Jan [illegible] 1851

Henry H. Ropes Esq.

Dear Sir

We have enclosed check on Atlas Bank Boston for $[illegible] to pay our three notes to you due Nov [illegible] $[illegible] being [illegible] days interest at 7 p. per Annum. Please cancel and return the notes to

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible] & Co

New Bedford Jan 27. 18[illegible]

B. B. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 24th with enclosure of One Hundred & Seventy three dollars ($173) for [illegible] is at hand [illegible] credit the same to [illegible] as advised

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible] & Co

New Bedford July [illegible]

[illegible] Edwards

[illegible]

Yrs [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford July 29. 1857

Messrs [illegible]

Gents — Above please find Bill of Lading [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] — Yrs truly

Wm J Rotch Treas

New Bedford July 29. 1857

Messrs [illegible] & Co

Gents — Yours of 24 inst. We shall want in about two months from this time 300 Bbls [illegible] & before [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] you to judge [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] market —

Yrs truly

Wm J Rotch Treas

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New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

Gent[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the Com[illegible] on the [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the

Com[illegible]. But in those cases the Ships are [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

in the Ships. Suppose we had brought the [illegible]

[illegible] before [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] would you then be entitled to the Com[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which

you would claim a Com[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

would be the presumption that [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] had been instrumental in [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] & thus inducing the Sale. But does this

apply in the case where we are [illegible] our

own Ship [illegible] [illegible]? We think [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] We certainly have no [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which is justly [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

W. R. Stu[illegible] Esq

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible].

Yo truly [illegible] R[illegible]

New Bedford July 31. 1851

Messrs Burrows & Smith

Gent. Please forward us [illegible]
the account. We wish to close up our [illegible]
as soon as possible.

Yo truly [illegible]
[illegible] Rotch [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford Aug 6 1857

Mess J. L. Forbes & Co

Gent = Please inform us at what price we can purchase [illegible]

[illegible]

What [illegible]

[illegible]

Truly [illegible] W. R. Rotch Jr

New Bedford Aug 8 1857

[illegible]

[illegible] and we are much obliged for the information [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yrs truly [illegible] J. Rotch Jr

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[illegible] [illegible] 18[illegible]

M. [illegible] Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We received your favour [illegible] of 7th [illegible]. We have not [illegible] that you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] immediately as we [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] able to sell anything till the arrival of some of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] have been [illegible] expected for a month.

We have not a [illegible] of [illegible] of the [illegible] which we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Since we wrote [illegible] [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] see what can be done.

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 4 1857

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 25

[illegible] 50

[illegible]

[illegible] 50

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford 8mo 15 51

J. Clapp Esqr
D Sir

Yours of 14th is received. We do not want to buy anything to arrive. If the Hemp was here we should take some of it but as it is not must decline.

The Manila is rather too high

Yours Truly
Wm J. Rotch Jr.

11th Boston Nov 61

J. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir Yours of 11th received. We do not want to buy any thing to arrive. If the Hemp we [illegible] we should take some of it but as it is not [illegible]

The market is [illegible] high

Yours

Truly

Wm. [illegible]

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8 mo 16

[illegible]

Price of Prime N. B. Cordage &c. June 11 1851

Russia Bolt Rope Cordage	11
Manila Cordage	14
Tarred Lashing	13½
Manila Lashing	16
Bolt Rope	13
[illegible]	12½
[illegible]	15

Credit four months Average & ... or 4% off for Cash.

Yours Respy
S. N. Hammer
N. B. Cordage Co.

Mess.rs Kinnard Richardson & Co. New Bedford 8 mo 16. 1851

Gentlemen }

Your favor of 13th with Note for $294.57 is rec'd in settlement of bill of 7 mo 30. When will the Cordage for My Ship be wanted in Bath

Yours truly

Wm. J. Rotch Jr

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List of Prices N B Cordage Co — Jan 11 1857

Russia Tarred Cordage	11
Manila Cordage	11 1/2
Tarred Russia [illegible]	12 1/2
Manila [illegible]	16
Bolt rope	13
[illegible]	12 1/2
[illegible]	12

[illegible] 6 months
[illegible] for Cash.

Yours Respy
[illegible]
N B Cordage

Messrs Howard Richardson & Co
Boston — New Bedford March 6. 1857

Yours January 10th
with Note for $290.67 is rec'd in settlement of
bill of June 30. Above note the Cordage
for ship [illegible] to [illegible] in Cash

Yours truly
[illegible] Peters Jr

16. 1851

of Russia Cordage with a Manila heart
if he wishes it and equal in quality and
every other respect to anything which can
be made in the country - If it is not
perfectly satisfactory we will take it back -
We hope he will let us make it for him as
we think it ought to be made

Yours truly

Wm. J. Rotch Jr.

Francis Low & Co
North side Union Whf Boston

New Bedford

of Russia Cordage with a Manila heart
if he wishes it and equal in quality and
every other respect to anything which can
be made in the Country - If it is not
perfectly satisfactory we will take it back -
We hope he will let us make it for him as
we think it ought to be made.

Yours Truly

Wm. B. Potter Jr.

Treasurer Box 150

North side Union Wharf Portland

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[illegible] Aug 18 1881

Messrs [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] enclosing [illegible] for Tony [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] cover [illegible] Mr [illegible] [illegible] from Bath to Calcutta. We [illegible] that Mr [illegible] that he [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] hope if he would make [illegible] we have decided under the circumstances to make a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] such [illegible] for Mr [illegible]

We have drawn on you at 4 months from Aug 18th [illegible] of Mr Roberts (?) for thirty five hundred dolls which please accept.

Yrs truly

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Esq

[illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible]

Pittsburgh May 20 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] as fast as you can [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Aug 2/57
[illegible] Wendell [illegible] &c
Gent — Yours of 1st is rec'd — We have been out of Manila for [illegible]

Yrs truly
Wm R Rotch Jr

New Bedford Aug 2 /57
Mess Howard Lee & Co —
Gent — The quality of your Hemp is very fine. We wish we could persuade our friends to try some cordage from it — but the prejudice is very strong against all American Hemp — We have not had a single order for American Cordage while the demand for Russia is greater than we can supply. We can however use a small quantity of such Hemp as yours for Seizings &c — What will you sell us say 5 or eight tons at?

Yrs truly
Wm R Rotch Jr

You were a little undecided when the writer saw you in Boston —

New Bedford Aug 2. 5[illegible]

B. B. Haskell Esq—

Dear Sir: Yours of 19th inst enclosing check for $913.64 which we credit as advised by you. Annexed are the lowest Boston prices at which we now sell—

Russia Cordage	11¢	Cordage sold in Boston 4 mos or 4 pct off for cash.
American do	9½¢	
Bolt rope	12½	
Fine Seizing or Houseline & marline	15¢	
Manila Cordage	14¢	

From the above prices we make a discount of 5 pct. on the tarred Cordage and ½¢ per lb on the manila. We hope we can take some at these rates—

Yrs truly Wm R Rotch [illegible]

[illegible]

Messrs. N. Roper & Co.

Gentlemen: Above we enclose [illegible] on Suffolk Bank Boston for $[illegible] in settlement your bill dated [illegible] less disct 4%. We hope to hear from you in regard to the [illegible] lot of Bolt rope wanted which we wrote you a week ago — if you cannot give us the lot as ordered please say the best you can do.

Yours Resp.

L. A. Plummer

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New Bedford 8mo 26 1851

Mess E. D. Brigham & Co.
Boston

New Bedford Aug 27. [illegible]
[illegible] Esq
Dear Sir— [illegible]
enclose check for [illegible] $5500— for
which please [illegible]
Yours Resp'y
[illegible]

New Bedford Aug 26 1847

Mr E. D. Brigham
Boston

New Bedford Aug 27 /47

A Steele Esq

Dear Sir — Yours of 23 inst — I
enclose check for $3370 — for
which please hand the Receipt as before —

Yours Truly
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Boston. [illegible]

[illegible] promptly [illegible]

[illegible] with them. [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly [illegible]

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New Bedford 8 mo 25. 1851

Messrs E. B. Bigelow & Co

Gents

We have enc

check on Suffolk Bank Boston $1481.19

amount your bill Am Hemp Recd for

which please hand receipt and oblige

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

W. B. Cordage Co.

1851	
8 mo 11	430.05
8 mo 22	1051.14
	$1481.19

New Bedford Dec 26. 1861

Mess. E. C. [illegible] & Co
Boston

We hand enclosed
Check on Suffolk Bank Boston $1181.19
Settlement for bills [illegible] Henry River
which please place to our credit
Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

1861		
Dec 11	436.05	
Dec 22	745.14	
	$1181.19	

[illegible]

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New Bedford Nov 30th 1851

Messrs Stevens & Co.

Gentlemen

Your favor of 28th inst is at hand and contents noted. We will take (250) two hundred fifty bbls of the lot of oil you refer to and should like it shipped by first vessel bound to this port. We presume you can find a vessel that will take it in the course of a week or ten days. It costs us nearly double freight via New York and does not reach us as soon as when we get it direct.

Very respy
Yours &c
[illegible]

120-39	97-34	Medora
175-3	81-52	Sld from
146-15	64.21	Cloudstadt
80.28	49.39	10/20/51
111-1	19-14	140 Ch — Pds 947.26

A. L. Webb Esq [illegible] 186[illegible]

Dear Sir — Yours favor of 8 inst 31st with the Sale bill [illegible] is at hand [illegible] which we have a ck for $ 2934.65 the [illegible] of same which if correct please hand us [illegible] receipt in full —

621 Bales [illegible] 11 $ 18740.[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

57.46
[illegible] 1865126
74/25
$ 17934.65

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] 5500.—
[illegible] 17934.65

Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

A. C. Webb Esq
Dear Sir

We have your favor of yesterday [illegible]
We will take [illegible] of the Government [illegible] at $ 21.00 [illegible] case be concluded to let us have it as above please send it over at once [illegible] by tomorrow evening —

Yours Respy
L. A. [illegible]
[illegible]

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New Bedford 9 mo. 2. [illegible]

Messrs. H. Ropes & Co.

Gentlemen

We write you getting in regard to Boltrope –

We should like your lowest price for from 10 to 20 tons of your best Russia yarns – If you have two or more lots send us a few samples of each and the brand that we may try them.

An early reply will oblige

Yours Respy

L. [illegible] Plummer

W.R. [illegible]

& Co

M. Crosby Jr. Esq.
Dear Sir

is five cents per lb & nothing less will bring it

New Bedford Sept 5. 1851

Mess Wm Roper & Co

Gentm Enclosed I send check for 1025.33 in paymt your Bill Bottops less 5%

We will take twenty tons of the A yarns at the price you name viz $9\frac{3}{4}$ 6 mos or 5 pct off for Cash if we cash the Bill - Please forward them immediately

Yours truly

Wm R Rotch Jr

New Orleans Sept 5. 1851

Messrs McFadden & Co

Gentlemen Enclosed I hand check for

1025.33 in payment your Bill Bottoms due 5th

We will take twenty tons of the A Spans

at the price you name 15 pct Cases or 5 pct

off for Cash if we take the Bill - Please

forward them immediately Your truly

Wm J Bell Jr

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New Bedford Sept 8. 1851

A. D. Weld Esq

Dear Sir Yours of 6th is rec^d. Please settle with Mr Peele in any way which will be satisfactory to him and yourself - We are not particular about it - The Hemp has all been worked - Our foreman thought it was about half damaged i.e. half good & half good for nothing & we so rendered it - But the amount is too small for controversy & we are well pleased with the quality of the Hemp generally - Take a receipt in full from Mr Peele and we will remit you the amount whatever it may be which may be due him

Yours truly

Wm R Rotch Treas

New Bedford Sept 3. 1851

N. D. Wold Esq

Dear Sir Yours of 6th ult is rec'd. Please settle with the Pete in any way which will be satisfactory to them and yourself - We are not particular about it - The Hemp has all been worked - Our foreman thought it was about half damaged i.e. half good & half good for nothing & we so consider it - But the amount is too small for controversy & we will please settle the quantity of the Hemp graciously - Take a receipt in full from the Pete & we will remit you the amount whatever it may be which may be due them

Yours Truly

Wm J Rotch Jr.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Sir

We have [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford Apl 18th 57

E. Evans Esq —

Dear Sir — Yrs of 15 inst — I am very sorry you said anything to Mr [illegible] about a new way of making his [illegible] & now [illegible] it [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — We can make him a good [illegible] of the [illegible] which we have spun and we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] — I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Factory —

Yrs truly

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Esq —

Dear Sir —

We [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] message [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] We [illegible] that we would take [illegible] [illegible] Mr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that the [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] Mr [illegible] and was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of another party — [illegible] [illegible] yesterday and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Please let us hear from [illegible] —

Yours Truly

[illegible]

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New Bedford Apl 19 1847

A. Crane Esq —

Dear Sir — Yrs of 16th inst rec'd — I am very sorry you did not come down [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 1847

[illegible] Esq —

Dear Sir —

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Yours truly

[illegible]

[illegible]

Wilmington June 1st [illegible]

[illegible] Richardson & Co

Gentlemen—

We send you one case of [illegible] in the factory, to go by the [illegible], [illegible] above is bill of the same. [illegible] send you more as soon as we can.

Yours

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Beaufort Sept 22 [illegible]

[illegible] Sir—

Yesterday I wrote you by the [illegible] requesting you to forward your note on statement by [illegible] & cause [illegible] Ship [illegible] & the [illegible] I now write to [illegible] & [illegible] your note at your earliest convenience —

Yours truly

[illegible] Mast.

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[illegible]

[illegible] 22

[illegible]

Dear [illegible] 22 [illegible]

[illegible] settlement [illegible]

[illegible] which we are [illegible]

With regard to the charge [illegible] Point [illegible] you will remember that [illegible] contract for your [illegible] sometime [illegible] you contracted for [illegible] and you will find that, an extra charge is made for Point [illegible] will make the enquiries. [illegible] this as an explanation [illegible] the amount is small and [illegible] settlement. The [illegible] the Point [illegible] correct for the [illegible] [illegible]

Yours Truly [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Sept 24. 57

Messrs [illegible]

Gent. — We have now some Manila [illegible] on hand & in the way [illegible] quality to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Yours [illegible]

Wm R. Rotch Treas.

Wm. W. Goddard Esq

Dear Sir — We annex a Mem. of the tarred cordage for your new Bark which was yesterday forwarded to Mr Lowe & which we trust proves [illegible] satisfactory — Please inform us how soon you will require the manila which we do not send now as we are much crowded with orders —

Yours truly

Wm R. Rotch Treas.

New Bedford

Sept 24. 1857

[illegible] Sept 24. 1847

[illegible]

[illegible]

Wm. C. Graham Esq. [illegible]

Dear Sir —

[illegible]

[illegible] Satisfaction. — Please [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly [illegible]

[illegible]
Sept 24. 1847

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[illegible] 23 [illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir — [illegible] 23 [illegible] I think

you told me you [illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] with the [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] of the

quantity [illegible] price [illegible]

$212 1/2 [illegible] If the quantity [illegible]

than [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] quantity [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] of the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] can you make [illegible]

[illegible] any part of the

[illegible] we should [illegible]

[illegible] Yrs truly [illegible]

New Bedford Sept 25th 1857
R. B. Marshall Esq
Dear Sir — Yours 23d with enclosure
$195.57 one hundred ninety five 57/100 dollars is
rec'd — We shall forward [illegible] Manila
tomorrow to Boston — It will be there early
Monday morning
Yours truly [illegible]

The large hawsers of Bolt rope we cannot forward
in time for the [illegible] at Monday [illegible] but will
forward them as soon as possible probably by
Tuesday morning. We [illegible]
[illegible] if possible till then

New Bedford Sept 25th 1857
Mr Kendall Richardson [illegible]
Dear Sir — We have not been able to
complete the Manila for your two lengths(?)
made today — Part will go forward today
the rest tomorrow — It will all be in
Boston on Monday morning — We
cannot forward your own [illegible] for
Manila before the last of next week
or first of week after —
Yours truly [illegible]

New Bedford Sept 21. 1871

[illegible]

New Bedford Sept 25. 1871

[illegible]

New Bedford 9 mo 27. '51

Messrs Sanders, Richardson & Co.

Gentlm

We now hand enclosed Invoices of the Manila Cordage to complete gangs No 8 & 9 all of which has gone to Boston to be forw^d to Bath by first vessel, and will no doubt reach you in season for launching -

No 8 B. 41 coils 4914
No 9 C. 56 " 8222

Yours Resp^y
[illegible]
[illegible]

We shall try to have the gang ordered in your favor of 22^d out by the time ordered -
Should you require any Hawsers for the three gangs there are now ordered.

New Bedford Jan 27. '51

Mess. Howard, Richardson & Co

Boston

We have had received invoice of the Manila Cordage to complete gangs No 8 & 9 all of which has gone to Boston to be forw'd to Balt. by first vessel, and now we trust we give you no reason for complaining -

No 8. B. 11 Coils 1971
No 9. do. 36 " 8222

Yours Resp'y
[illegible]
[illegible]

We should like to have the gang named in your favor of 22 sent by the first vessel - Please give again any Reasons for the three gang that are now ordered.

[illegible]

[illegible]	11¢
[illegible]	10½
[illegible]	9½¢
[illegible]	12½¢
[illegible]	15¢
[illegible]	12½¢
Manila Cordage	14¢

The above prices are on [illegible] or 4 pr ct off for Cash. The Cordage delivered in [illegible] & we should also make a discount of 5 pr ct on the [illegible] Cordage & of one half cent per [illegible] on the Manila. [illegible] Respectfully

[illegible]

[illegible]

Saml C. [illegible] Co

Dear Sir

We desire to [illegible] to clear the balance of the [illegible] of cordage to be forwarded to [illegible] by Schr Cobra, which we [illegible] as you ordered marked [illegible]

31 Coils [illegible]

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford June 11 [illegible]

W. B. Harker Esq

Dear Sir

We have [illegible] Bill of the cordage [illegible] the [illegible] of which has gone on to [illegible] [illegible] in good order.

For the amount please take two notes of $2100 each at 6 mos from 9 mo 26 payable in Boston or we will deduct 4% for cash from the bill.

We have recd yours of 29th with its enclosure of [illegible] to [illegible] of Brig [illegible] [illegible] and note that you will want a gang of [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] which we should like to make provision [illegible] it is not wanted immediately just at this time we cannot [illegible] [illegible] as we have already engaged and should want to hear how soon the gang would be wanted before contracting. Our price for the [illegible] would be 9½c per the Manila [illegible]

We did not rec yours in time to change the size of the warp line.

Yours Respy

[illegible] Nov 3 [illegible]

Messrs [illegible] & Co

[illegible] We [illegible] informing us of the purchase [illegible] of [illegible] at 175 - We prefer to have [illegible] of a [illegible] and think [illegible] than on New York [illegible] may [illegible] be [illegible] opportunity [illegible] each [illegible] place for [illegible] - Otherwise we [illegible] prefer to have it [illegible] there if it can be done on favorable terms - [illegible] about 2 - You [illegible] may draw on 4 mos. We will make some enquiries about the [illegible] and let you know if anything can be done -

[illegible] truly [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 18[illegible]

[illegible] H. Hope Esq

Boston

The within [illegible]

Chk on Suffolk Bank Boston [illegible]

to defray your bill for services [illegible]

[illegible] being the balance of $7[illegible] the

receipt of which please acknowledge

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] your requisition for [illegible]

[illegible] do not [illegible] to furnish any [illegible]

We have your favor of 2nd [illegible]

Very Respectfully

[illegible]

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New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible] Plymouth [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 1851

Messrs. Newell & Andrews
Boston. Gentlm.
Please send
us as soon as possible
8 Bars 11/16 Rd Iron
24 " 1 by 7/16 flat Iron
68 ft 3 " 7/16 " "
350 " 7/16 Rd Cast Steel
450 " Wire No 8 Guage
the very best is wanted
Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford Oct 14 1851
Messrs Howard Son & Co
Gent = Your favor of 11th inst. We
are not at present in want of any [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Enclosed a check for
1444.03 in payment [illegible] [illegible] 22d
from which we have deducted interest [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Please send receipt
[illegible]
Yours Respy
[illegible]

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New Bedford Oct 14. 1857

[illegible] Read Esq.

Dear Sir — I enclose check [illegible] $31.25 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yrs truly

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Oct 14. 1857

[illegible]

Gent[illegible] [illegible] 134 [illegible]. I enclose check for $[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & 5 Bales [illegible] [illegible] which please acknowledge

Yrs truly

[illegible] Treas[illegible]

[illegible] do not care [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] 1857

F. Burnett Esq

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly [illegible]

We have [illegible] very large stock [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

A D Weld Esq

Dear Sir — [illegible]
with Bill of Crocker & Sturgis [illegible]
with regard to the settlement [illegible]
[illegible] we should [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] we should [illegible] therefore
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] receive the cash.
Should they wish the [illegible]
we would [illegible]
when we were prepared [illegible]
have ascertained about them [illegible]
know if such an arrangement
would be agreeable to them —

[illegible]
[illegible] Pitkin [illegible]

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New Bedford Oct 1st 1857

D Clapp Esq

Dear Sir — Will you please ascertain and inform me what amount will be made for cash on Bill of Hemp per Williams & Humboldt. We should prefer not paying [illegible] [illegible] — if agreeable with [illegible] we hope to be able to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] before long —

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Oct [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Williams [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Humboldt of Hemp — [illegible] [illegible] has not yet been recd but we presume it will shortly —

Yrs truly

[illegible]

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New Bedford June 17. 1851.

[illegible]
[illegible] Dear Sir

We notice in
[illegible] that 12c Duty is
[illegible] had 15c
[illegible] of the same size
[illegible] you will give us
[illegible] reply in regard to
[illegible] like to settle the act.

Yours Resp[illegible]
J. A. Plummer
Wm. Cranage & Co

New Bedford June 16. 1851

Mess. George W. Chase & Co

Gentn.

We should like a
remittance of $700 or $800 on [illegible] your
cordage we have large payments to make
next week [illegible] if you can [illegible]
early in the week it will much oblige

Yours Resp[illegible]
J. A. Plummer
Wm. Cranage

New Bedford June 17 1861.

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Oct 2[illegible] 1867

B B Hopkins Esq

Dear Sir — Yours of [illegible] was rec'd in due course. We should be [illegible] to get your [illegible] to Boston for [illegible] but [illegible] — We cannot [illegible] there [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] [illegible] —

Yours truly

Wm [illegible] Treas

New Bedford Oct 22 [illegible]

Messrs Claflin & Williams

Gent — Yours of the 21st [illegible] the letter enclosing [illegible] account [illegible] and note for Balance $1101.22 [illegible] examined the a/c and [illegible] it correct — I am sorry to [illegible] that we are so [illegible] which we cannot [illegible] at the time specified that we dare not undertake [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] we can make [illegible] order we [illegible] in any [illegible] — I am very sorry that we cannot make [illegible] [illegible] is literally impossible —

Very truly yrs

Wm [illegible] Treas

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New Bedford Oct 22 . 57

M B [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — [illegible] the following check [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yr [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Oct 22 . 57

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours [illegible]

R [illegible]

P.S.

We have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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[illegible]

New Bedford Oct 2[illegible] 18[illegible]

A. Howland Esq

Dear Sir — Please send me as
soon as possible the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] 1 3/4 [illegible] 18, [illegible]
2 coils of 3 3/4 — 3 coils of 3 1/2
4 — 3 3/4 — 4 — 1 3 3/4

Received the [illegible] On Mr Pell's [illegible]
of Manila (of which by the way we
have no use of) there are several Bales
marked [illegible] which are [illegible]
[illegible]
whether there was any Red [illegible] on
the Invoice. All the [illegible] is very
inferior [illegible] [illegible]
altogether [illegible] Yours truly

[illegible] Rich[illegible]

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[illegible] [illegible] 1861

Saml. C. [illegible] Esq.

Dear Sir

We [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] to any [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] and to be [illegible] by [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] [illegible] R [illegible]

[illegible]

L. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Esq.

Dear Sir

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in good [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]burg Oct 27. 18[illegible]7

Mess. [illegible] [illegible] & Co.
Gents

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
But [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Nov 2nd [illegible]

Mess. [illegible] [illegible]
Boston [illegible]

Dear Sirs

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

Yours Resp.
[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Orleans June 30th

Messrs. [illegible] Richardson

Gentm

We wrote you yesterday and shipped to-day as [illegible] [illegible] 100 [illegible] [illegible] to Boston with directions to forward to you by steam and Rail road at once - we trust it will soon reach you - all the [illegible] and 2 [illegible] [illegible] went to-day, the balance of [illegible] we are now at work on and will [illegible] as soon as done

Yours Respy

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Orleans Nov 30/58

Messrs. Bullard Browning

Gentlemen

We wrote you yesterday and telegraphed to-day and have shipt 150 bbls Corn to Natchez with directions to forward to you by steamer that will leave at once - the letter it will not reach you - all the flour was 2 bbls ... that was left & the balance of flour we are now at work on and will send as soon as done.

Yours Respy

J. L. Cummer

W. B. Conway

[illegible] Oct 31. 1857

A. D. Mell(?) Esq

Dear Sir — We are in expectation [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible] Treas.

P.S. We are short three bales in the whole number which we should have rec^d from the Humboldt — Quitoo & G Williams — as it all came over the Road at once, some without any marks at all we cannot tell from which lot they are missing — If it was all d[illegible] at the RR^d — the Road is accountable — we shall therefore require the receipts rec^d by the different parties from the RR^d — Will you please forward those rec^d by Mr Pede(?) & Crocker & Sturgis or inform me if they have them

Wm F R Tr

J. Clapp Esq   10/31/51

Dear Sir — We are short 3 Bales Manila — We cannot tell from which lot they are missing — Will you therefore forward us the receipts from the RR^d for Mr Hays(?) hemp & also our own(?) that we may make the Road pay in case they were lost —

Wm. F. Rotch Tr

[illegible] Oct 31. 1867

A. P. Miller Esq

Dear Sir — We [illegible] in [illegible] of [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

P.S. We are short three bells in the whole
number which we ordered last wk? from
the Hammond - Sawtell & Wiswin - As it all
done over the Road at once, I can't account
any mistake at all. We cannot tell from
which lot they are coming. If it was all
done at the Depot the Road is accountable -
We have therefore request the receipts [illegible] of
the different parties from the Depot. Will
you please forward them [illegible] by [illegible]
& oblige [illegible] to inform [illegible] which they came
from

10/31/67

D. Colony Esq

Dear Sir - We are short 3
bells [illegible] - We cannot tell from
which lot they are coming - Will you
therefore forward us the receipts from the
RR for the bells & also the [illegible]
that we may make the Road pay in case
they never come -

[illegible]

[illegible] Boston [illegible] 1858
[illegible] Richardson [illegible]
Dear [illegible]
Your favor of [illegible]
the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] with a [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] - I think [illegible]
the [illegible] in Boston
by the [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] very soon. [illegible]
the [illegible]
about the middle of the month [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

To The President and Director[s]
of the Bedford Com^cl Bank

The New Bedford Cordage Co offer
for discount their note at 4 days
endorsed by Wm J Rotch and Joseph
Ricketson for Ten thousand
Dollars. With the understanding
that the whole note shall be paid
with good discountable business
paper or cash at or before the
expiration of that time.

Wm J Rotch Treas^r
of
N Bedford Cordage Co

11 mo 3. 1857

[illegible]

[illegible] for the damage that your [illegible] in the Circuit Court [illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible]

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New Orleans Nov 8 1858

A. L. Weller Esq

Dear Sir

We have received chk for $350.75. in settlement the Bollister please hand the same receipted.

We are expecting to hear Mr Pike decision in regard to the bill marked.

Yours Respfy

L. A. Stammer

W. B. Hodgson

[illegible]

A. D. Wells Esq
Dear Sir

We have received
Chk for $336.76. in settlement Erie Bills
please have bills done accordingly.
We are expecting to hear the Price
decision in regard to the Erie Canal.

Yours Respy
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 7 1851

Mess W Roper & Co

Gents Your favor of 5th is recd. We do not care to purchase any Hemp at present as our stock of all kinds is ample. We will settle the Bill of Yarns shortly

Yours Wm J Rotch Jr.

New Bedford Nov 7 1851

Wm H Keyser & Co

Gents Your favor of 5th is recd.
We do not care to purchase any Hemp
at present as our stock is on hand
is ample. We will settle the bill of
Hemp shortly Yours

Wm R. Rotch & Co.

New Bedford Nov 5 1857

Messrs Kendall Richmond & Co

Gent = Yours of [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Wm [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Gordon [illegible]

Dear Sir [illegible] Your favor [illegible]

will [illegible]

[illegible] you [illegible]

in a day or two [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Wm L. [illegible] Esqr

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 15 1857

Mrs Smith

Dear Madam. Yr letter of 13 inst
& I now enclose my Check payable to
your order for two hundred dollars
which you can get cashed at the Bank
by putting your name on the back of it.
Please inform me when you receive
it & I shall be pleased to hear any news
which you may receive from your husband

Very Respectfully

Yr Wm J. Rotch

New Bedford Dec 19 1827

Mr Smith

Dear Sir —

I am in rec't of yr letter of 13 inst

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Webb [illegible]

[illegible]

Fort Bayona Nov 17 1851

[illegible] Walker Esq

Dear Sir [illegible]

[illegible] we shall send Mr Blake some money tomorrow or next day —

[illegible]

[illegible]

W. J. Potts [illegible]

[illegible]

P.S. Since writing the above I [illegible] the [illegible] for the [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov [illegible] 1857
Messrs. Graham & Co
Dear Sirs — Yours [illegible]
enclosing Check for $[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] which is in payment of our Bill of
Cordage furnished [illegible]
Truly
[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 17. 1857
[illegible]
Dear Sir — Yours [illegible]
enclosing Check for $[illegible] for Mr Pease
[illegible] for which please [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 19. 1857
Messrs. Holden & Williams
Gent. Yours of 18 inst received enclosing
Check for $124.73 in payment of our Bill
of Cordage furnished Mr Low for the
Pilot Boat, for which accept our thanks
Yrs truly
Wm. Rotch Treas.

New Iberia Nov 19. 1857

Messrs Kendall Richardson & Co

Gent – I have drawn on you at sixty months after Nov 8th favor of Mr J Rotch for $3000 – which please accept –

Yrs truly [illegible]

Hon Duggan Oct 9. 1817
Bishop Richardson & Co
I have drawn on you
... Commission of ... one ...
... Dec ... matter ...
... Mary ...

[illegible] Dec 22. 1857

T. A. Reed Esq—

Dear Sir— I enclose check for $25— as arranged or [illegible] good $135 00/100

I [illegible] me a Bbl of Ale [illegible] Crackers & also two Bbls of Sweet potatoes if you can & take good care of the latter— put them where they will not freeze in case you have cold weather—

When you leave make a straight run for Fish Island wharf instead of the mud bank wherein you last found a harbor— keep clear of the bottom at the Breakwater to make a quick voyage home— If you can get a cargo of the Franklin Coal at 25 [illegible] we can do well with it

In haste

Yrs [illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 22^d 1857

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 24 1857

A H Field Esq

Dear Sir — I gave Mr [illegible] left for Boston this morning. He [illegible] Mr Rotch's [illegible] of the [illegible] take them to the [illegible] [illegible] better [illegible] —

Yours truly

[illegible]

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New Bedford 11 mo 24. 51

Messrs Kendall Richardson & Co

Gentlemen

We sent to Boston Saturday 22nd inst 74 coils Cordage [mark] Sandy for Messrs J. B. & Co. which is all the Sisal Rope with the exception of 15th 16th November which we will get off tomorrow and send invoice of the whole

Yours &c

L. & F. Fleming

W. H. Coz.

New Bedford 11 mo 26 61

Messrs Howland Richmond & Co
Boston

We duly rec'd thy letter of 22 inst [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Messrs. Wm. F. Weld & Co. In Acct
1851 [illegible]
11 mo [illegible] Cash on [illegible]
[illegible]
25 [illegible] 13 [illegible]
[illegible] $4253.35 $[illegible]1.21
$[illegible]41.21

25 By [illegible] Manila
[illegible] 1851 [illegible]
[illegible] $[illegible]441.21

[illegible] New Bedford 11 mo 25. 1851
Wm J. Rotch Treas

New Bedford Nov 25. 1851
Messrs Wm F. Weld & Co
Gent - Yr favor of 22nd inst - Above I send a Statement of the Settlement of yr Rice of Manila made in conformity with my understanding with Mr F. W. Weld. If not correct we will of course make it right. Enclosed is a check for $4353.35 being for the Balance of yr Rice as per the above Statement - the receipt of which please acknowledge & if the Settlement is correct please send a receipt in full for the whole Rice - we are not yet prepared to take the [illegible] Hemp -
Yr truly Wm J. Rotch Treas

New Bedford Nov. 25. 1861

Prof Wm. F. Barnes

Dear Sir - Yr favor of 24 - inst - Also

Bard[illegible] a Statement of the Settlement of

the Bill of Barnes Bros in Conformity with

the Agreement entered into Nov. 1st. F. W. Barnes

[illegible] & my Self - the Ball of which is made as

follows - Enclosed is a Check for $423.38 -

Being for the Balance of Yr Bill & for the

whole Statement - the Receipt of which

please acknowledge & of the Settlement &

[illegible] a Receipt in full for the

whole Bill - We are all Yr [illegible] to Settle the

[illegible] Barnes - Yrs truly Wm. J. Rotch Treas

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New [illegible] [illegible]

Mess Newell & Anderson
Boston [illegible]

Please [illegible]
me 12 bars 5/16 12 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours truly
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford Nov 27 1857

Mess Kendall Richardson & Co

Gent^n I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which was sent [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford Nov 27. 1851 —

Prince S. Crowell Esq

Dear Sir — Mr Hays informs me that you will want a gang of Cordage for a Ship of some 700 tons to be launched in March or April. We should be very glad to make it for you & have no doubt of our ability to give you entire satisfaction — I annex a list of our prices delivered in Boston and would say that if any Manufacturer of standing in Boston or Plymouth will give you lower terms we will conform to them & make it as low as any other good Manufacturer.

	Price
Russia Tarred Cordage 1st quality —	11¢
Russia Tarred Cordage 2d quality — (made from Russia yarns)	10½¢
do Wormline	12½¢
– Houseline & Marline	15¢
Manila Cordage	14¢

The above prices are 6 mos from average delivery in Boston and are subject to a discount of 5 pct on all the tarred Cordage & half a cent per lb on the Manila —

Hoping to receive your order I remain yrs truly Wm J. Rotch Tres

N Bedford Cordage Co

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New Bedford Nov 27. 1871 -

[illegible] Providence

Dear Sir - Mr [illegible] informs me that you wish to have a sample of [illegible] for a Suit of some 700 lbs to be [illegible] or [illegible] - We should be very glad to make it for you & trust we should [illegible] to give you entire satisfaction - I annex a list of our prices [illegible] & would say that if any [illegible] of Russia or [illegible] you [illegible] we will endeavor to make it as low as any [illegible] Manufacturer.

[illegible]

Russia Tarred Cordage 1st quality 11

Russia Tarred Cordage 2d quality (made from Russia yarns) 10½

do Manilla 12½

[illegible] 15

[illegible] 14

The above prices are [illegible] delivery in Boston and are subject to a discount of 5 pct on all the [illegible] & half a cent per lb on the [illegible]

Hoping to receive your order I remain Yours truly [illegible] Tr

N Bedford Cordage Co

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New Bedford 11 mo 28th '51

N. Crosby Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We recd. from Mr Bailey on the 26th inst $61.40 and placed the same to your credit in acct.—

Corres Respecy
[illegible]
N. B. Company
[illegible]

New Bedford Dec 1. 1851

Otis Tufts Esq—

Dear Sir: Some of the teeth in our big Wheel are loose— the Key's having shrunk. We have no wood suitable for making new ones & will therefore be much obliged if you will send us some strips of maple suitable for that purpose of making new Key's the teeth are all good— If you have not sent the Gauge Cock for the Boiler please send that also—

Yr truly

Wm. J. Rotch Prest.

New Bedford Nov 28 '67

W. Emery Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We will pay you the Bounty on the 20 [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] to your credit [illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Dec 1 1867

[illegible]

Dear Sir: Some of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford Dec 2 1857

Wm W Goddard Esq

Dear Sir — Yr favor of 1st is rec'd & we to day send to the Rail Road 57 coils of Manila Cordage marked U. S. Shipping 1181 — The Cordage has been ready & waiting your order for some time & trust it will reach you in due season — We shall forward a full invoice tomorrow —

Yrs truly
Wm Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 3rd

Wm W Goddard Esq

Dear Sir I send to day a summary of the Invoice of the Manila Cordage of which I advised you yesterday — having a survey taken at the Rail Road [illegible] will be in Boston tomorrow morning [illegible] — Above is [illegible] from Nov 5 1857 for which [illegible] you [illegible] send [illegible]

Yrs truly
Wm Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 3 185[illegible]

Wm Goodman Esq

Dear Sir

[illegible]

Yrs truly

Wm R Rotch Jr

New Bedford Dec 5 18[illegible]

Wm Goodman Esq

Dear Sir

[illegible]

Yrs truly

Wm R Rotch Jr

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New Bedford Jan. 1st 57 –

C. Hall Esq.

Dear Sir – Yours of [illegible] is recd – [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Hemp & Cordage – We [illegible] [illegible] no other way we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] you.

Our prices are as low as those of [illegible] or [illegible] of the Plymouth Company or the Boston [illegible] Co. We do not put our Hemp in competition [illegible] [illegible] of their Cordage –

Our price for Manila you will notice from my letter to [illegible] [illegible] 27th [illegible] 13½ [illegible] [illegible] – and I venture to say that it cannot be bought of better [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] rate. I hope you will [illegible] [illegible] make the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] no doubt [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] satisfaction.

Yours truly

[illegible] [illegible]

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[illegible] [illegible] 18[illegible]

Mr. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

We rec^d from [illegible] to-day $102.65 and place the same to your credit in acct.

Yours Resp^y

[illegible]

P.S. Your favor of 8th has just come to hand with its enclosure of One Thousand dollars ($1000.—) for which we thank you

Yours Resp^y

Messrs Bedford & Co. [illegible]

A. Wild Esq

N.B. Cordage Co

Dear Sir — Yr favor of 8th inst recd — We cannot at present offer any better than 18½ 6 mos. Nor do we intend that offer to stand preferring in the present state of the market in view of our ample stock to take our chance. We shall forward Mr Peck the Bill as near the 15th as possible — We had arranged to do it between that date & the 20th but will send it as soon as possible —

Yrs truly

Wm. [illegible] Treas.

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New Bedford Dec 15 1857

P. L. [illegible]

Dear Sir — I enclose check for $[illegible] on [illegible] N. Bedford Cordage [illegible] Marine Bank [illegible] Please return [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Jan [illegible] 1858

W. D. Whitehead Esq
Agt Schr Tradesman
Suffolk Va. Dear Sir

We are in receipt of your favor of 10th inst and have enclosed one dollar note on Marine Bank for the error.
We made a note of it at the time on our books but as we had not the address could not rectify it and presumed we should see the Capt again.

Yours Respy
L. A. Plummer
N. B. Cordage Co

[illegible] Jan 17, 1877

P.S. New Orleans [illegible]

[illegible]

W. D. Whitehurst Esq
Agt Notre [illegible]
Suffolk Va. Dear Sir

We are in receipt of your favor of 10th and noted contents. Our notes [illegible] the Marine Bank for the amount. We made a note of it at the time [illegible] but we have not [illegible] cannot notify it and [illegible]

Yours Resp'y
[illegible]
N. B. [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 5 1857

Wm Copley Esq

Dear Sir — Yours of 12 inst
With regard to the abatement of 3 per ct
of we regret that we cannot afford
to do it nor are we allowed to do so by
our agreement. Mr Kelley can throw
off his com^n if he chooses but he cannot
do so and receive an extra allowance
from his Consignees. — During the past
year the demand for Rope has been very
great and we have had orders for more
than we could furnish at full prices
& then even if we could fairly allow
you the extra 3 per cent & could afford it
we should still be losers by the transaction.
Our prices are now fixed as low as they
can be and give a fair profit & it is
our purpose to sell Rope at less than cost
or even at the cost. We hope to make our
Cordage cheaper at the same price than any
that will be offered in Nantucket & [illegible] rely
upon its merits to secure a permanent [illegible]

Yrs truly

[illegible signature]

New Bedford Dec 15. 1857
Mess. Kendall Richardson & Co
Gent =
We have drawn on you as usual at 5 mos from 8th inst for $2002 which please accept —
Yrs Truly [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 16. 1857
B B Haskell Esq
Dear Sir — It is quite time that we see the Clerks note or the money according to agreement — Will you please attend to this — If the money can be [illegible] if you can get it in the [illegible] we will [illegible] interest [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] account per [illegible] — But we should be very happy to have either the money or the note at once —
Please let us hear from you —
Yrs truly [illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford Dec 16. 1857
A D Wells Esq

Dear Sir:- Yr favor of 13 was duly recd and I am much obliged to you for the information it contained. We do not care however to accept Mr Shaw's offer for his Seams. In the first place we prefer to wait rather than pay <u>10 3/4 8 mos</u> for Hemp from the S. house [?]. In the second place we do not consider the terms offered us i.e. 8 mos to be not as good, in these times, as those on which he sold the other Parties & we of course should not give them, knowingly, any more. On Mr Bates's Bill of Yarns we find a Charge for Storage & Ins which strikes us as unusual and under the circumstances unwarranted, inasmuch as we were ready, & so professed ourselves to be, to receive the Yarns whenever and as fast as he could deliver them. We have also weighed the Shells & Wood of several "Eight" Winches and find the tare uniformly 20lbs per Winch. He allows but 16lbs. Will you look into this and ascertain whether he sold us the winches at Invoice weight & tare or actual weight & Invoice tare. The tare is fully 20lbs & we learn that the Boston Hemp Co. found it the same. I enclose Check for $300 for Mr Pell [?] for which please send us a receipt. Yrs truly Wm S Rotch [?] Treas

[illegible] Dec 15th 1867

[illegible] Dec 16 1867

Dear Sir:- Yours of 13 [illegible]

[illegible]

Thos. H. Dunham Esq
1851
To New Bedf. Cordage Co.
2 mo 13 To Amt Bill Rend. 6 mos 220.30
Int. 4 mos 4.40
$224.70
Settled by Sept. 13 1851
For New Bedf. Cordage Co
L. S. [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 17 1851
Thos H Dunham Esq
Dear Sir — We send you above
Bill of Cordage amounting to $224.70
Due [illegible] 6 Months and as [illegible]
[illegible] for the amount which
you will [illegible] oblige us [illegible]
Yours truly
Wm Rotch Treas

New Bedford Dec 16. 1857

A. Dowell Esq—

Dear Sir:— In pursuance of 17th inst— from our last conversation you will readily infer the reason why I did not wish to purchase from the "J. Howe" at 10 1/4 cents. I do not want to buy from her at all or from any of the earlier ships and have thought that better terms might be had from some of the later ships. You may purchase for us fifty Bbls from either the [illegible] now arriving, delivered at Boston or any other ship to arrive about the same time but obtain at 10 1/2 cents. It seems to me that the freight to Boston [illegible] offered at 10 3/4 cents — of course we take fifty Bbls [illegible] on the [illegible]. I shall rely upon you to obtain it for us on the above terms at 10 1/2 cents and will also [illegible] this [illegible] or extension of the difference. If in your judgment you cannot buy for us at 10 1/2 cents and in your judgment there would be no chance of obtaining it on these terms from any of the ships now arriving, then you may buy [illegible] at 10 3/4 cents. but you will bear in mind that we are in no present need of the [illegible]

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shall probably not want it before March
and be governed accordingly in purchasing —
I would at present be [illegible] you [illegible]
as soon as you were fully understand
the best that can be done — My own impressions
are that [illegible] might [illegible] be acceptable from
the [illegible] of [illegible] Half Hedges —
Yr Truly
[illegible] Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 28. 1857
Messrs Randall Richardson & Co
Gent = Yr favor of 24th is recd — Our
prices are the same for both Russia
& Manilla as during the present year.
viz 11¢ for Russia hemp & 10½ & for [illegible] Manilla
14¢ — We should not be willing to contract
to deliver the rope by the 15th of Jan for if the
weather continues as cold as it has been we
could not make it — We could only say
that we would make it as soon as we
could — We have drawn on you for
[illegible] at 5 mos from Dec 22d [illegible] favor of [illegible]
as usual which please accept —
Yrs truly
Wm Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 21. 1857

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir— Yr favor of 3d inst is recd & am [illegible] to have the [illegible] the account [illegible] you have [illegible] 177 bbls [illegible] whenever you are [illegible] that [illegible] better, but I think [illegible] *[illegible]* [illegible] I [illegible] therefore [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] operations that we [illegible] any House now [illegible] until 1st of March [illegible] at *[illegible]* cheaper for us.

[illegible]

Yrs truly [illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible] Bedford Dec. [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] re-
ceived [illegible] you [illegible] a [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] we shall be happy
to furnish you. With regard to the
[illegible] [illegible] cordage we can refer
you to Mr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Mr [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] cordage	11 ¢	[illegible]
Russia [illegible]	10½ ¢	
[illegible] [illegible] cordage	9½ ¢	
[illegible]	13½ ¢	[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]	15 ¢	[illegible]
Manila [illegible]	14 ¢	

From the above [illegible] we should make
a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Manila
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 12 mo 23rd 1851

A. C. Crosby Jr. Esq

Dear Sir

We have your favor of 20th with enclosure of Pacific Bk chk for Thirty Three Hundred Dollars and place the same to your credit in a/c

Yours Respy

L. & Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co

New Bedford Dec 25. 1851

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir — Your favor of 25

enclosing Note of [illegible] for 3[illegible] —

and [illegible] for 3142.75

[illegible] — 2[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 23: 1857

C. Hall Esq

Dear Sir

[illegible] for [illegible] of Rigging [illegible] attention [illegible] 50 lbs "Roumaine" [illegible] rigging by which we presume you mean what we call Roumaine -

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

[illegible]

33 [illegible]

[illegible] you [illegible] is [illegible]

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New Bedford Dec 25. 186[illegible]

Messrs Brown & Smith

Gentlemen —

It is now so long since we have had the pleasure of hearing from you that it would give us great satisfaction to hear that you were still in the land of the living — Will you be kind enough to write us and also send acct of [illegible] to Jan 1. 1862.

Yrs truly

[illegible] Rotch Tres

New Bedford Dec 30 1847

Geo. W. [illegible] Esq.

Dear Sir — Yours of 29th [illegible] by Capt. Graves — I endeavored to settle your bill for all again [illegible] thought there to be all for us — With regard to what you term your overcharge on [illegible] & [illegible] the [illegible] company that he stated the case to you at the time and I must say that I [illegible] every time I [illegible] on this [illegible] we are [illegible] there for those articles [illegible] upon the [illegible] in Boston [illegible] you can [illegible]. The amount however is small is 5.13 and if you insist upon its [illegible] we shall [illegible] to [illegible] regard. [illegible] the freight from Boston to Washington [illegible] I think you must [illegible] be 1.75 [illegible]. [illegible] Mr [illegible] note [illegible] issued from the [illegible] Dec 2/23 [illegible] have [illegible] be [illegible]

Yrs truly
Wm. Rotch Treas.

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New Bedford Aug 31 1867

Wm J. [illegible] Esq —

Dear Sir —

I have been very much surprised to learn from your letter of May 14 that they have been unable to collect the [illegible] [illegible] of which I notified you in the [illegible] he informs me that you promised [illegible] him to pay it but he [illegible] finally given up in despair & returns the bill to me. I am consequently obliged to [illegible] you again and to request that you will forward me the amount immediately which [illegible] me from the disagreeable necessity of taking more stringent measures —

Yours Truly

[illegible] Batchelder

New Bedford Dec 31. 47

My dear [illegible] —

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Book [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Mr [illegible]

[illegible] in the [illegible] from [illegible]

[illegible] past week [illegible]

[illegible] 1.75 [illegible] Mr [illegible]

[illegible]

We also [illegible] in the price

of [illegible] amounting to [illegible]

which we do not think [illegible]

[illegible] possibility [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Boston manufacturers [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible] 1862

W. Coady [?] Esq

Dear Sir

We have your favor [?] [illegible] not yet received the [illegible] but presume they will be [illegible].

We enclose our check on 13 [illegible] this city for One Thousand Dollars and place the same to your credit on acct. please acknowledge receipt

Very Resp.

Yours &c

[illegible] Stevens [?]

[illegible]

New Bedford Jan 3. 1862

J. J. Mixley [?] Esq Cashier

Dear Sir — I enclose check for $528.32 in payment of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Please [illegible]

Yr truly [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 3. 1852

B. Hall Esq

Dear Sir — The pair of 3 1/2 in — I think the cash price must be ninety three in New Bedford by the piece of Manilla — Now if you please examine and alter at once & let me know. We do not intend to ask higher price than other good manufacturers —

Yrs Truly Wm. Rotch Jr.

We wish to have it settled so that there may be no misunderstanding in future

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New Bedford Jan 6. 1852

Mary J. McLaughlin

Dear Madam

I have received your letter of Dec 4th this day & now enclose for you a check on the Fulton Bank of New York payable to your order - for which you can get the money by putting your name on the back of it and taking it to the Bank in Burlington - Please send me a receipt for it written thus -

Received Jan 1852 of Wm J. Rotch One hundred dolls on a/c of ~~[illegible]~~ his note for $1000 dated July 11. 1847 on demand with interest -

Hoping that this will find you well I remain yr truly

Wm J. Rotch

Mount Pleasant Jan 6. 1852

[illegible]

Dear Madam

I have received your letter of the 4th inst, & now enclose to you a check on the Fulton Bank of Brooklyn for eight 85/100 Dollars, which you can get the cash for by [illegible] your name on the back [illegible] to send me a receipt for it [illegible]

Received Jan 1852 of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford Jan 7. 1851

Wm Graves Esq

Dear Sir — Yr favor of 6 inst received enclosing
check & Note in payment of Jackman's Bill
making $[illegible] for which we are much
obliged — Enclosed is a Fifty dollar Bill which
you will oblige me by accepting as a compensa-
tion for the trouble this matter has given [illegible]

Yrs truly

Wm J Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 9. 1852 –

A F Wells Esq –

Dear Sir – Your favor of 8th is rec.
The holders of the Hemp seem to be weakening –
You remember that Mr Spooner said he
would not sell us Hemp in the Summer
at less than 11¼ 5 mos if he had to keep it –
Now if he consents to come to 10½ 4 does it
not seem to indicate – that he has some
advices which induce him to anticipate
a further decline – Before purchasing for
us at 10½ 8 mos I wish you would write
by return mail and give us your opinion
more fully than in your last about the market.
Do you think it will go below 10½ or there
any probability of its going higher at present –
The Samoset will come rather sooner
than we need. If you do not think our
interests will suffer by not buying from
her at 10½ 8 mos we should prefer a later
Ship – Please write us before closing at 10½
for I am strongly tempted to buy the 11¼ 4
months hence – What chance can there be of
so doing –

Yrs truly

Wm Rotch Treas

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New Bedford Jan 2 1852

A Howland Esq

Dear sir [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
from the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] then [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible]
We will [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] — [illegible]

[illegible] Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 16 1852

A Howland Esq

Dear Sir — Yours of [illegible] — For the present we shall wait with the [illegible] more especially as we have hopes of doing better with our Australian friends than you can do for us in Boston. There is a good deal of [illegible] coming & there is no shutting out that fact from the eyes of the manufacturers at present with the Australian coming into our own Port. We do not incline to pay 10½ & more for [illegible] in Boston.

We are expecting 2 more [illegible] for New York [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours truly [illegible] Rotch [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 14. 1852
Messrs Kendall Richardson & Co
Gents — We have drawn on you at 5 mos from Jan 8th for $[illegible] in favor of [illegible] which please accept [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to be arranged —
Yrs truly
Wm R. Rotch & Co

New Bedford Jan 15. 1852
A. Howell Esq
Dear Sir — I enclose check for five thousand dolls ($5000) for insurance on the Bark Manila against the danger [illegible] Please send a receipt for it — I wrote you yesterday [illegible] Manila [illegible] for the amount not to exceed 10½. [illegible] to await the issue of events. The [illegible] comes in here — Should [illegible] [illegible] we shall feel bound to protect your interests in the matter as much as though you made the insurance for us in Boston.
Yrs truly
Wm R. Rotch Treas

New Bedford Jany 15. 52

Wm. W. Goddard Esq

Dear Sir Annexed I send Invoice of the Manila ordered by you to complete your gang and also 2 setts of main ropes which were overlooked and which it gives us pleasure to send you. The cordage has gone forward to-day & will reach you tomorrow morning. Please send us your note for the entire amt and oblige

Yours truly

Wm J. Rotch Jr.

New Bedford 1 mo 16. 52

John F. Merriam Esq

Dear Sir

The N B Bl Co's bill agst Geo W. Chase & Co still remains unpaid will you please see that it is attended to & inform us by return mail what disposition will be made of it

Respectfully

Wm J R Jr

New Bedford 1 Jany 1858

Wm. W. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir Annex'd I hand Invoice of the manila [illegible] by you to complete your [illegible] and also a bill of [illegible] after which was omitted and which it gives me pleasure to hand you. The money [illegible] your favor to-day & will reach you tomorrow morning. — Please [illegible] me your note for the entire amount & oblige

Yours truly

Wm. [illegible] Jr

New Bedford 1 [illegible] 58

Thos. S. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir The [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Yours truly

[illegible]

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New Bedford Jan 17. 1852

A D Well Esq

Dear Sir — Yr favor of 16 is rec'd
You need not return any Hemp for us
at 10½ & mos. We prefer to take the chance
of doing better either here or in Boston.
We should like to have Mr Parker's acc
made up to Jan 23d and we will cash
it.

Yrs truly Wm J Rotch Treas

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New Bedford Jan 17. 1857

Saml. G. Glover Esq —

Dear Sir — Mr Evans our Superintendent informs us that he had some conversation with you upon the same when you were in the course of which you wished to know if there was any change in our prices. I now write to say that our price list for Manila & tarred Remain unchanged but if you should prefer to contract for the tarred alone now and defer contracting for the Manila we should be perfectly willing to do so. We will agree to sell you the Manila at any time as low as any Boston Manufacturer save Webber & the Marblehead concern — Our price for Russia Hemp Cordage is 14 } 6 mos. less for Russia yarn — — 10½ } 24 } 5 per cent
Manila 12½ — tarred Manila 13¢
[illegible]

Yours truly Wm Rotch Jr. Treas.

Messrs. W. Roper & Co. New Bedford 1 mo 19. 1852

Gentlemen Enclosed check for $1084.12 amt your bill Hemp & yarns for which please forward a receipt - We shall give you a note for the Boltrope

Yours Truly

Wm Rotch Jr.

Thomas H. Dunham Dr

To N. B. Cordage Co

1851		
2 mo 12	For amt Bill rendd 6 mos	220.30
	Int to 1 mo 31 52 5/19	6.20
		$ 226.50

New Bedford Jan 21. 1852

Thos H. Dunham Esq

Dear Sir

Above I send you N B Cordage Co bill made up to the 31st inst. Please send me your note payable at that time for the amt. Say 226.50 and oblige

Yours Truly

Wm. J. Rotch Jr.

Chas. W. Rogers Esq. New Bedford 1 mo 19. 1872

Dear Friend

Enclosed [illegible] for $1088.12 and [illegible] please [illegible] receipt. We [illegible] you a note [illegible] the balance

Yours Truly

Wm J. Rotch Tr.

Thomas H. Dunham Dr

To H. B. Cady Co

1871	To amt Bill rendered 6 mo	220.30
	Int to 1 mo 21 72	6.20
		$226.50

New Bedford Jan 21. 1872

Thos H. Dunham Esq

Dear Sir

Above please find your H. B. Cady Co bill made up to the 21st inst. Please send your note payable at that time for the amt $226.50 and oblige Yours Truly

Wm J. Rotch Tr.

New Bedford Jan 22. 52

A L Weld Esq

Dear Sir Your favor of 21st is recd
I enclose a check for 2381.47 being for Bal
of Mr Peeley Bill Manila. Please send us a
receipted bill. We still prefer not to buy at 10½ 8 mos

Yours W O R Jr

New Bedford Jany 22. 1852

Daniel Knight Esq

Dear Sir. Your favor of 17 is recd
Mr Evans must have mistaken our price
for Manila. It is 13½ 6 mos less 4 p. for Cash
old at Newburyport if you wish. We should
be glad to sell you

Yours Truly
W O R Jr.

New Bedford Jan 2? 54

[illegible] Wells Esq

Dear Sir Your favor of 21st is recd

[illegible] at 2381.4 [illegible]

[illegible] Manila. [illegible]

[illegible] 10¼ [illegible]

Yours [illegible]

New Bedford Jan 24. 1854

Daniel Knight Esq

Dear Sir Your favor of 21 is recd

[illegible] on price

[illegible] Manila. At 1 10¼ cts [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly [illegible]

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New Bedford Jan 22 52

Leonard Chase Esq

Dear Sir Your favor of 19th is recd

If Mr Merriman will pay our demand in

Cash immediately we will disct 6 per cent

(six per cent) from it. but we do not want to

take back any of the cordage. you can dispose

of that where it is better than to send it

back to us. Let us hear from you soon

Yrs Truly W. J. R. Jr

New Bedford Jan 28/72

Lemuel Chase Esq
Dear Sir Yours of 19th inst rec'd
By the Merrimac this day our Clearance in
Cash [illegible] [illegible] 6 per cent
discount) from it but need not remit to
take less any of the contents. You can dispose
of that when it is better than to send it
back to us. Let us hear from you soon
Jos Davis W. B. Jr

New Bedford Jan 24. 1852

B B Haskell Esq

Dear Sir — Annexed we
send you our a/c of sundry items which
we find in your a/c adverting to our Books —
in a Bal of [illegible] on Schr R. [illegible] a/c which we
think you have omitted — an overcharge in
remittance on Brig Amelia a/c of $30 — and
we think you will find that in your last [illegible] a/c
you charged a commission of $67.56 on R[illegible]
Voyage — Please examine these items
and let us hear from you respecting them —

Yrs truly
[illegible]

There are several a/cs on which small Balances
are due which we wish you would close —

New Bedford Dec 3d 1852

Messrs [illegible] &c

Gent. We perceive by [illegible]

Circular our rates for first quality

Rope and would say that we

shall be glad to sell you and have

no doubt that you will be well

satisfied

Best Russia Cordage made from hemp	14
Best Do Do made from Manila	13½
Best American Cordage	11½
Manilla	12½
Russian Marline	15
Manilla Cordage	13½

The above prices are on 6 mos from

average delivery with a discount of [illegible]

for cash and besides this we will allow

you a discount of 5 per cent on all the

tarred Cordage.

Yours truly [illegible]

[illegible] Cordage [illegible]

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New Bedford Jan 21 [illegible]

J J [illegible] Esq
Dear Sir — Above I send check
for $546.17 [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford Jan 30. 1862

J. J. Slade Esq
Dear Sir — Payment of 26 [illegible]
Note enclosed is as above I send
you check on Fulton Bank for [illegible]
less discount as named — I have also sent
you a telegraph today at 12 m.

Yours truly
[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 2. 18[illegible]

Messrs. [illegible]

Gents =

In a letter rec^d from my Brother B. S. Rotch under date of Dec 2[illegible] at Paris he requests me to [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] to be by you [illegible] to Mess. John Munroe & Co. Paris [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Duffield & Bean[illegible] Boston which please [illegible] to John Munroe & Co. Paris for a/c B. S. Rotch. Please acknowledge the receipt of the enclosed —

Respectfully

[illegible] Rotch

New Bedford Feb 3. 1852 —

Messrs [illegible] Richardson & Co

Gents — I have drawn on you at five months from 2d inst $3000 payable to order of Wm R Rotch which please accept. How much cordage have you on hand belonging to us? What is the prospect for sales next year? Please render yr a/c [illegible] for 1851 —

Yrs truly

Wm R Rotch Treas

Shall we forward the manila for Trufant & Drummond &c?

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New Bedford [illegible] 3 [illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir - [illegible]

the [illegible] last [illegible] think you

written [illegible] The [illegible]

[illegible] better [illegible] in cold weather

do you think [illegible]

[illegible] If not you had better delay the

[illegible] a little. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the best time to [illegible] please

advise me and [illegible] wish to [illegible]

the [illegible]

[illegible] at this moment [illegible]

a good [illegible] but [illegible] be

[illegible]

[illegible]

rather take charge of it or turn it over

[illegible] who in our opinion [illegible]

be suitable. [illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford Feb 6 1852

Sumner [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir — Yrs favor of 5th inst.

I am [illegible] to [illegible] any [illegible]

[illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] —

be [illegible] in [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] you

[illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] more [illegible]

[illegible] — Yrs Truly

[illegible] [illegible]

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New Bedford Feb[illegible] 52

Donald McKay Esq
Dear Sir —
I understand that you are about to build a ship and believing that we can furnish you with a Gang of Cordage that will be perfectly satisfactory to you I take the liberty of addressing you upon the subject — I annex a list of our prices and in regard to the quality of our Cordage I would refer you to two Gangs furnished by us to Mr [illegible] Goddard & also to Mr Lowe the Rigger who has fitted several of our Cordage —

Russia Cordage 1st Quality —	14¢	6 mos from
Worming	12½¢	average date
Houseline & Marline	15¢	or 4 per ct off [illegible]
Manila Cordage	13½¢	

In addition to the above we will allow you a discount of five per cent on all the tarred Cordage. Hoping to hear from you
I remain yours truly — Wm J. Rotch Treas
N. B. Cordage Co

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[illegible] Feb 11. 1852
[illegible]

Sir, — On yesterday [illegible]
[illegible] in the [illegible]
which [illegible]
[illegible] that you [illegible]
and [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 1862

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 15 or 20 lbs of the [illegible]

[illegible] I may [illegible]

[illegible]

You can carry.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Saml. [illegible] Glover Esq

Dear Sir [illegible] 3rd [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] of the [illegible] Bank [illegible]

[illegible]

the [illegible] to be fixed at the regular

market price at the time when you ordered

the stock [illegible]

[illegible]

at any [illegible] within the time which

may suit your convenience.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible] Bedford [illegible] 3 [illegible] 2

[illegible]

[illegible] I have [illegible] on [illegible]

[illegible] 2 [illegible] 5 [illegible] from the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Truly [illegible]

[illegible] Bedford [illegible] 52

[illegible]

[illegible] 3 [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible]

	[illegible]	16	
[illegible]	[illegible]	$10\frac{1}{2}$	[illegible]
	[illegible]	$12\frac{1}{2}$	[illegible]
	[illegible]	15	
	[illegible]	14	

[illegible] we can [illegible] to you [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Truly

[illegible] Rotch [illegible]

P.S.

[illegible] $9\frac{1}{2}$

[illegible] in the [illegible]

New Bedford Feb 17. 1852

A. Howland Esq

Dear Sir — Your favor of 16 — inst with Bates & Co Bill of Yarns which is correct with the exception of the charge for Storage & fire Insurance which is rather unusual in any respect as we were ready to receive the yarns immediately and promised delay was on the accommodation of them &c. — It certainly was not for ours neither [illegible] or desire by us — I think this must have escaped their notice. The amount of the two charges is of small in amount but great in principle.

If Mess Bates & Co will correct this we will send note for the amount —

Yrs truly Wm J Rotch Tras

Letter Book Poster to this Page

New Rochelle Feb 22 1852
Monday Morning

Friend L. — Mr Evans informs
me that he gave an order for the
[illegible] College subject to our
ratification. The price given [illegible]
[illegible] 1/20 [illegible] on 3 [illegible] for the
[illegible] — I will [illegible]
[illegible] that this is not our [illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible] like [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] — The price for the
[illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] made for a [illegible]
[illegible] Rooms [illegible]
[illegible] have [illegible] the
[illegible] would be satisfactory. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] our side. [illegible]
[illegible] Cottage [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford Feb 26. 1853

[illegible]

New Bedford Feb 23. 1853

[illegible]

New Bedford Feb 27. 1852

S. E. [illegible] Esq

Dear Sir Yours of 26th inst informing me of the successful termination of the [illegible] against [illegible]. Please send me your check, payable to my order, on either of the Boston Banks for the [illegible] $32.00.

Yrs Truly

Wm [illegible]

New Bedford Feb 27. 1852

Messrs [illegible] Richardson & Co

Dear Sirs [illegible] of the [illegible] by the [illegible] [illegible] 30th [illegible] [illegible] been [illegible] 13 [illegible] 14 [illegible] Please [illegible] orders [illegible] you [illegible]

Yrs Truly

[illegible]

[illegible] Bedford March 3 /62
[illegible] Esq

[illegible] in [illegible] We [illegible] your
[illegible] to [illegible] in the matter [illegible]
[illegible] through [illegible]
[illegible] is all [illegible] and [illegible]
may [illegible] you a little [illegible] to
[illegible] it — We [illegible] forward [illegible]
[illegible]

Resp[y]
Yo Truly [illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 5 [illegible]

[illegible] Foster Esq
Cash[r]
Gra[illegible] B[illegible]
[illegible]

Enclosed
Please find Check on Suffolk Bank [illegible]
$1247.40 to pay A. B. [illegible] Note [illegible]
at your Bank 3/6 — which [illegible] is any [illegible]
and return to yours [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford March 8. 1852
Messrs [illegible] [illegible]
Gents — [illegible] [illegible] enclose check
for $300 in return for the amount
which you lent me yesterday for
which please accept my thanks.
Yrs truly &c
[illegible]

New Bedford March 6. 1852
B B Hayman Esq
Dear Sir — Your favor of 3 inst
with enclosed check for $400 which the
order is advised —
Yrs truly &c
Wm Rotch Jr

New Bedford March 8 [illegible]
A. L. [illegible] Esq
Dear Sir
Your favor of [illegible]
is at hand. The ship [illegible] from
[illegible] was yesterday [illegible] [illegible]
of Bryant [illegible] New York are the [illegible] [illegible]
of the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]
at once to forward [illegible] [illegible] the
[illegible] [illegible] not be [illegible] [illegible].
Yours truly
pr W. J. Rotch &
[illegible]

[illegible] June 2. 185[illegible]

Messrs Alexander & Richardson & Co

Dear Sirs

Your favor of 2nd May [illegible] with memorandum for the gauges of Cordage are at hand & will have attention.

We wrote you on 27th Feby requesting you to note on your orders the price at which you sell the several gauges.

Please state in your next the price at which Bolt Rope are sold that we may give you a correct invoice.

Very Truly

Pr. Wm. J. Allen & Co

L. A. S[illegible]

P. S. We have 7426 [illegible] Hand Cordage on Invoice at which is we presume on hand with you though not mentioned in your Acct. Rendered.

New Bedford 3 mo 9 '52

H. Crosby Jr. Esq

Dear Sir - Your favor is at hand - an annex invoice of Cordage ordered. We think the [illegible] will have not yet been decided on but will let you know in season if they start it -

We have reduced the price of Manila somewhat and below hand a list of prices at which please hold our Cordage till further advised.

Russia Tarred Cordage	11c
Manila Cordage	13½
Tarred Towline	12½
Manila Towline	15½
Russia Boltrope	13
Houseline	12½
Boltrope	15

6 mos from day delivy or 4% off for Cash

Yours truly

L. A. Plummer

N. B. Cordage Co.

New Bedford March 12 18[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir — Your favor of [illegible] is in
hand [illegible] the sale of [illegible]
[illegible] the right to [illegible]
you [illegible] to be ready in [illegible]
[illegible] where the [illegible] was bought
[illegible] being in our [illegible]
[illegible] we claim [illegible]
[illegible] to the [illegible] - 147 -
The [illegible] of no change in the [illegible]
of charge at Boston! Will you take a [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] out [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] to be [illegible]
of the [illegible] the [illegible]
we should like to know them.
We have [illegible] on you at five [illegible]
[illegible] for $1193.06 [illegible] your Bill [illegible]
[illegible] please accept. [illegible]
[illegible] we have to be [illegible]
[illegible] competent authority —

Yrs Truly Wm. Rotch [illegible]

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Mrs Smyth

Dear Madam - I was out of town when yr letter arrived - You will therefore please excuse the delay in answering it - I now enclose my check for One hundred dollars the receipt of which please acknowledge - The [illegible] which arrived yesterday reports the decline in [illegible] with 2000 Bales - Nothing more -

With best wishes for your [illegible]

I remain Yrs Respectfully

March 13 1852

Wm J Rotch

New Bedford 3 mo 1[illegible]

Messrs. E. [illegible] &c

Dear Sirs

[illegible]

Yours truly

For Wm. J. Rotch Treas

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo 13. 1852

A. D. Welch Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 11th is at hand & contents noted — Please send one bale of the Hemp lot of Warren & Co. and we will send Note for the whole — We have had some bales tackled of him. they will not answer the purpose and we wish to settle for the entire lot with one note.

Yours truly

For Wm. J. Rotch Treas

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3mo 13 [illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir

[illegible]

New Bedford 3mo 13. 1852

E. D. Mott Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 12

at hand & contents noted - Please

draw on us at [illegible] the [illegible] lot of

[illegible] 16 and we will draw for

the whole - We have had several

bbls [illegible] of him, they were not

[illegible] the purpose [illegible] made to

order for the entire lot [illegible].

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible] 185[illegible]

Wm Rotch Esq

Dear Sir

We hand to you the yearly [illegible] for Messrs Richmond [illegible] 97 being W. 15155 which we trust will arrive in good order.

Yours Respy

L. A. Plummer

W. S. [illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 15. 18[illegible]

C. Hall Esq

Dear Sir

We have [illegible] Bill of 97 [illegible] Cordage for your new ship [illegible] to Boston [illegible] as [illegible] by you which we think will be found [illegible] satisfactory.

The [illegible] with [illegible] Hawsers [illegible] forwarded [illegible] to J. Baker [illegible] the balance to [illegible] Brewsters [illegible].

Yours Truly

For W. J. Rotch Tr

L. N. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo 16. 1852

[illegible] Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 15th [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Respy

[illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 17. '52

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

We have your favor of 15th with mem^o for Sch^r [illegible]. The length for F & M. Shrouds 112 fms. is too much for us in one length. 104 fms is as long as we can make. Please divide and send us the two lengths.

Yours Respy

For Wm J Rotch Treas^r

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford March 17 1852

Howland & McKay Esqs

Dear Sirs Mr Evans informs me that you would like to have us make the cordage for your new Ship. I now send you a list of prices for our best Russia cordage and the [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] season.

1st Quality Russia cordage —	11	6 mos [illegible]
Bolt rope —	12½ +	[illegible]
Manilla & [illegible]	15 +	[illegible]
Manilla Cordage	13½ +	[illegible] for [illegible]

From the above [illegible] the discount 5 pct on the Russia cordage & 2½ pct on Manila —
If you prefer not to fix the price of the Manilla now you can have it until you [illegible] the cordage and take it at the price at which it may be in Boston then — if we make the tarred cordage we should also expect to furnish the Manila at the fair market price —

Yrs truly [illegible]

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New Bedford 3 mo 20 '52

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 15th inst with enclosure of $100.- to credit of Brig Aurora is at hand and in credit as advised.

We wrote you on the 17th inst which we are waiting your ans to make the sales again

Yours Truly

For Wm J. Rotch Treas

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo 22

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 19th inst with enclosure of $250 for acct of Brig Edward Wm. Edwards duly to hand and [illegible] credited as advised

Yours Respy

For Wm J. Rotch Treas

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 6mo 22 '52

E. B. Hatton Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 18th inst with invoice of $110.0 to credit of Brig [illegible] forwarded is at hand [illegible] entered to credit as advised. We wrote you on the 17th inst which we are awaiting your answer to make the [illegible]

Yours Respectfully
Wm. J. Rotch & Co
[illegible]

New Bedford 6mo 22 '52

E. B. Hatton Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of 19th inst with invoice of $120.0 [illegible] Brig [illegible] [illegible] credited as advised

Yours Respy
Wm. J. Rotch & Co
[illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 22

Messrs. [illegible] Richardson & Co
Gentlemen

We have your favor of 11th with memo for [illegible] Russia yarn Cordage. We shall have the same done by last of the month [illegible] [illegible] be able to give you the [illegible] not [illegible]. If you [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] we will oblige [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] forward on the 17th [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] come safe to hand.

Yours Truly
For Wm J. Rotch Treas.
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo 22d 1852

Saml. G. Glover Esq
Dear Sir

We hand annexed bill of the Tarred Cordage for your new Ship, which goes to Boston to-day directed to Mr Low Esq. We trust the same will arrive in good order and be satisfactory.

Please give us timely notice to make the Manila running rigging when wanted & oblige

Yours Truly
For Wm J. Rotch Treas.
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo 22 1852

Dear Friend [illegible]

[illegible]

We have your favor of 11th month [illegible] [illegible] We have [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 22: 1852

Sam'l [illegible] Esq.

Dear Sir

We have [illegible] the Boxes Enclosed for your new Ship, which goes to Boston to-day directed to [illegible]. We trust the above will arrive in good order and be satisfactory. Please give us timely notice to make the running rigging when wanted & oblige

Your Friends

For Wm. Rotch Jun.r

[illegible]

New Bern [illegible] 3 [illegible]

Bowen Sprunt Esq
Treasurer
Dear Sir

Your favor of the [illegible]
is at hand and contents noted.
I understood from the conversation had
with you some time since that the price
of bagging in this market should be
fixed at the Boston price without the
[illegible] & supposed you arranged it in
that way with Messrs. C. R. Tucker & Co.
We had a conversation with Messrs
Tucker & Co on Friday last in regard to
prices &c. We cannot consent to the terms
proposed by them but are prepared to
enter into any arrangement for future
sales that does not interfere with our
agencies now established and which
they desire us to give up.

Yours Truly
For Wm J Roten [illegible]
L. A. Plummer

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New Bedford March 23. 18[illegible]

Horace Binney Wallace Esq

Dear Sir

By direction of R. H. [illegible] we [illegible] 2 Bedford check [illegible] for $1935 = amount of sale of 25 shares of Mechanics Bank Stock – Please acknowledge the receipt of the above –

yrs truly

[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

18[illegible]

A. D. Wells Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of [illegible] is before us. We have a good stock of Manila on hand [illegible] [illegible] more this way.

Please give us your terms in regard to [illegible] [illegible]

Yours Truly

[illegible]

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo 25
1852

Messrs Samuel Hay & Co
Gentlemen

Enclosed is
chk on Boston for $73.66 to meet
your bill 17th ult disct 5 %
Please return bill receipted

Yours truly
For Wm J. Rotch Treasr
J. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo 24
1852

Saml. C. Capen Esq
Dear Sir

We send to
Boston to day in your care 118
Coils Cordage H 7150 as directed by
B. W. Haskell Waldoboro Me. The
Cordage to be forwarded by Schr
Emma Capt Hardy to Waldoboro.

Yours &c
For Wm J. Rotch Treasr
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo 25. 185[illegible]

Messrs. J. H. Pearson & Co.
Boston

We have yours of
23d. Answered please find [illegible]
of your Draft & enclose chk on
Boston $165.82 making the same
the receipt of which please acknowledge

Yours Resp'y
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 3mo 25. 185[illegible]

Albert G. Browne Esq
Secy Cordage Assn

Dear Sir

Do Commission Merchants or Agents have the right to sell Cordage upon the same terms as the Manufacturers, or can they in making sales exact the 5% [illegible] according to the rules of the Association?

Will you please inform us early in relation to above & Oblige Yours Truly

For Wm. J. Rotch Jr.
L. A. Plummer

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New Bedford June 26. 1862

Albert G. Browne Esq
Spcl Treasy Agent

Dear Sir

Do commission merchants or agents have the right to ship cargoes upon the same terms as the manufacturers, or can they be making [illegible] visit the Esq. [illegible] according to the rules of the association?

Begging your pardon for troubling you in relation to above,

Very Respy
Yr obt Servt
Wm J. Rotch Jr.

[illegible]

New Bedford 3 mo 26 62

Donald McKay Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of yesterday date is at hand -

We telegraphed Mr Evans this morning to see you in regard to your gang- way [illegible] he will attend to it.

Should Mr E return without seeing you, we will write or see you at once in regard to the matter.

Yours truly

For Wm. J. Rotch Treas.

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 3 mo [illegible]

Capt E. R. Smith

Ship Gospel

Dear Sir

We hand you [illegible]

inclosed bill lading 15 coils Cordage

[illegible] Cornelia which we have sent

same ship to [illegible]

Yours truly

L. A. Plummer

[illegible]

[illegible]

Joseph Seaton Esq

Dear Sir

We have a [illegible] of Coinage against the [illegible] [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] your [illegible] the [illegible]

Yours truly

[illegible]

[illegible]

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New Bedford 3 mo 27 1852

Donald McKay Esq

Dear Sir

From your two letters to me and conversation with Mr Ewing I infer that you wish some explanation in regard to your rope. When we first talked with you upon the subject we were then in a situation to make the rope for the own yarns - but when you applied to us the second time, supposing that you had contracted in New York for your rope we had made such engagements as to render it entirely impossible - It was then a matter of some doubt whether we could secure for you such a yarn as we should be satisfied with - We were only induced to undertake it from the fact that having on hand a small lot of yarns spun in Russia under the direction of Mr Ewing when in St Petersburg and which were in every respect equal to our own and which in fact differ from our own only in name - I was satisfied we could make you a first rate gang by mixing a small portion of these yarns (which cost in Russia 1/2 more per lb than any yarns sent to this country during the past year) with our own - I then wrote you that we would make you a first rate

New Bedford June 27 1852

Duncan McKenzie Esq
Dear Sir

In reply to your let-
ter and conversation with Mr Loring I
infer that you wish some explanation
in regard to your notes - When in full
settlement with you upon the subject we
thought it a reluctance to make the notes for
the same years - but when you applied a
second time. Supposing that if a
[illegible] contracted in New York for you
[illegible] we had made such engagement as
to render it entirely inoperative - It may be
well to [illegible] what interest we [illegible]
[illegible] for you such a party as so [illegible]
be satisfactory with - We are only anxious to
understand it from the fact that having no [illegible]
[illegible] a [illegible] list of years Upon the [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] of Mr Loring whose we
[illegible] are so which we are [illegible] respect
equal to the one [illegible] we [illegible] it
[illegible] we are only in [illegible]. I am satisfied
we could make you a [illegible] net yearly [illegible]
[illegible] a [illegible] portion of these years (when
not in Russia) [illegible] per 20 [illegible] early
[illegible] sent to this Country [illegible] the
past year) with our own. I have wrote
you. that we would make you a just and

gang. and we should not under the circumstances be willing to make you any other - such are the facts in the case -

As for any intention to deceive you or to palm off a poor rope for a good one - I have simply to say that our reputation is worth more to us than all the rope we could sell you in twenty years - Whether we make your rope or do not make it is a matter of entire indifference, but it is a matter of the utmost importance to us that nothing but the very best rope that we can make shall go upon the ship that you are now building - To make such a rope will cost us all that we propose to charge you for it -

We have commenced upon the gang if we finish it, it will be in every respect first rate gang and equal to anything that can be made in this country or the world.

Please inform us by telegraph whether you wish us to do so - or not -

Yours truly
For W. J. Rotch Treasr
L. A. Plummer

gang, and we should not want the
Commissioners [illegible] be willing to make you any
other - such are the facts in the case -
So far any intention to deceive you or
to palm off a poor rope for a good one -
That is simply to say that our reputation is
worth more to us than all the rope we
would sell you in twenty years - Whether
we make your rope or do not make it is
a matter of entire indifference, but it is a
matter of the utmost importance to us the
nothing but the very best rope that we can
make. Please go upon the Ship that you
are now building - We make such a [illegible]
will cost us all that we propose to charge
you for it -

We have commenced upon the ga[ng]
if we finish it it will be in any respect
first rate gang and equal to anything the
can be made in this country or the other.
Please inform us by telegraph whether you
wish us to do so or not -

Yours truly
The [illegible] Rope [illegible]
[illegible]

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New Bedford [illegible] 29
1866

Messrs. A. Hoyt & Co
Gentlemen
We have [illegible] [illegible] on Suffolk Bank for $[illegible] in settlement bill belong [illegible] by [illegible] E. A. Bigelow & which he requests us to forward to you.
Yours Respectfully
For Wm. [illegible] Allen Jnr
E. A. S[illegible]

New Bedford [illegible]

B. T. D. Haskell Esq
Dear Sir
Your favor of 27th covering $[illegible]-25/100 came duly to hand and we place the same to account say to balance acct [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] amount $160.-

Yours Truly
For Wm. [illegible] Allen Jnr
E. A. S[illegible]

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New Bedford 3 mo 30. 18[illegible]

Messrs Plumer & Co

Gentm

Your favor of 26th is at hand. We paid for Whale oil a few days since 63c and would advise you to buy all you want for some time at 60c there, as it will not be lower. We buy the best Sperm oil we can get for machinery. Price now $1.45 cash. Should you wish us to buy for you we can do so at above figures.

You can ship us the 100 bbls Bar by first vessel bound to this place.

Mr Evans will write you to-day.

Yours Truly

For Wm J Rotch Treasr

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford June 30. 1858

Messrs [illegible] & Co

Gentlemen

Your favor of 26th is

at hand. The price for [illegible] oil is a

few days since [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] to-day.

Very Truly

Yours

[illegible]

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New Bedford [illegible]

Messrs. Kendall Richardson & Co.
Groton.

We have yours of 29th & now hand enclosed Invoice of 49 Coils Manila and Bill of 89 Coils - Please hand your Note for Net bill say $1192.55 - 6 mos.

We have some Manila Twine on hand which would suit you, if in want.

Can give you the gauge & size at any time you order them -

Yours Truly
For Wm. J. Rotch Treas.
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 4 [illegible]
1862

Capt. Hiram Baker
Dear Sir

I should like your 1/8 of the [illegible] at the same price that others have sold say $800 -

Will you at any rate give me the refusal of your part till I can see you. Please reply at once & oblige

Yours Truly
For Wm. J. Rotch
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 11th Nov 1852

Messrs. Howard Richardson & Co.
Gentlemen.

We have yours of 29th & now have received invoice of 49 bbls [illegible] of 89 bbls. Please [illegible] your [illegible] this day \$1192.55 [illegible].

We have some Manila [illegible] we [illegible] to you if [illegible] want.

Can give you the same [illegible] at any time. Your orders [illegible].

Yours Truly
[illegible]

New Bedford 11th Nov 1852

Capt. [illegible]
Dear Sir

I wrote [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

Yours Truly
[illegible]

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New Bedford 4 mo 5. 1862

Bourne Spooner Esq
Treasurer
Dear Sir

We wish to advise you that Messrs. C. R. Tucker & Co are selling your cordage in this market at a less rate than the regular Boston price—

We should be pleased to hear from you in relation to the matter as early as possible. In consideration of the previous amicable relations existing between us we prefer to notify you directly, rather than to refer it to the "Association".

Yours truly
Per Wm. J. Rotch Treas
L. A. Plummer

[illegible] Jan'y 5. 1852

Francis Spencer Esq
Treasurer

Dear Sir

We write to advise you that Messrs E. R. [illegible] are selling your cottons in this market at a less rate than the regular Bureau price.

We should be pleased to hear from you in relation to the matter as early as possible. In consideration of the peculiar connection existing between us we prefer to notify you directly, rather than to refer it to the "Association."

Yours truly
[illegible]
L. T. [illegible]

New Bedford 4 mo 8

Messrs. G. Loew & Co
Gentlm

We have heard nothing from Mr McKay since we made our last proposition.
We will not make for him any but the best of rope, and for that we must have our price.

Yours &c
For Wm J. Rotch Gram
L. & S. Thumner

New Bedford 4 mo 8.

Capt E. S. Lakeman
Dear Sir

We forwarded to Newburyport 31st ult 1 bale Cordage marked W.P. 133 for new ship.
We hear this morning that the same has not yet come to hand and have written to Boston to have it put on the right track. You will no doubt receive it very soon.

Yours &c
For Wm J. Rotch Gram
L. & S. Thumner

New Bedford 4 mo 6

Mess. J. Goss & Co
Boston

We have received
nothing from the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Respectfully
Your friends [illegible]

New Bedford 4 mo 6

Capt E. D. Reinard
Dear Sir

We forwarded to Southampton 31st ult., Bills Lading
number W.T. 123 for new ship -
We learn this morning that the same
has not yet come to hand and we have
written to Southampton to have it put in the
right track - You will no doubt receive
it very soon.

Your friends
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford April 9. 1852
Dear Sir -
Yours of 7th is recd. That you may not misunderstand my meaning let me say to you distinctly that I am not satisfied that your Agents are acting [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] than either you or I have a right to do in accordance with the regulations of the Boston Association. Secondly - Your Agents inform me that they are fully authorised by you to sell your cottage at [illegible] if ~~[illegible]~~ they see fit - Of course I have not permitted them to do this with my consent while you are a member of the Association and for that reason we assume [illegible] at once. You will therefore [illegible] the [illegible] & [illegible] action on your part within 2 days -
Resp truly Wm J Rotch Jr.

Bourne Spooner Esq - Pres.

New Bedford 4 mo 10. '52

Messrs. [illegible] Richardson & Co.
Boston

Your favor of 6th with enclosure your Note at 6 mos from 1st inst $1192.04 for settling our bill of that date, came duly to hand.

We could not get the [illegible] off yesterday owing to the storm, have sent it to-day with directions to ship by first vessel in case the "Geo Davis" should have left. Annexed please find Invoice say 96 Coils $ 1569.[illegible]

Yours Respy

For Wm. Rotch Treas.
L. A. Plummer

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New Bedford 11 mo 12
1852

Messrs. Wm. G. Weld & Co.
Gentlemen
Mr Lang informs us that you would like our terms for a gang of Cordage for your New Ship which we now advise and should be pleased to furnish you—

Russia Tarred Cordage	11c
Manila "	13½
Wormline	12½
Houseline & Marline	15

6 mos from Average Delivery or 4% off for Cash

from above prices in advance 5% on all Tarred Cordage and ½ ct per lb on Manila Cordage.

Yours Truly
For Wm. J. Rotch Jr.
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford [illegible] 1860

Messrs. [illegible] & [illegible]
Boston

We enclose
check on Suffolk Bk. [illegible] in
settlement your Acct. above, please
hand receipted &

Obey Yours Truly
for W. J. Allen Jr.
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 11 mo 13. 1860

Messrs. [illegible] & Co.
Boston

We enclose ch[illegible]
[illegible] on Suffolk Bank in settlement
your bill, which please return us
receipted & oblige

Yours Truly
for W. J. Allen Jr.
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 4 mo 13. 185

A. D. Weld Esq

Dear Sir

We hand enclosed

chk on Suffolk Bank Boston for

$139.00 in settlement your Acct Rend.

Please hand us bill receipted

and oblige

Yours truly

For Wm J. Rotch Trea.

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 4 mo 23d. 185

Messrs Wm Ropes & Co

Gentlemen

Your favor of 22d

is at hand. You can send us

down the 9 coils Boltrope at price

named, 16 cts cash.

Yours Respy

For Wm J. Rotch Treas

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 4 mo 13. 1853

A. D. Weld Esq

Dear Sir

We have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Please hand [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Yours truly

Wm R. Rotch Jr

[illegible]

New Bedford 4 mo 23. 1853

Messrs Wm Rogers & Co

Gents

Your favor of 22 is at hand. You can draw on us [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Portage at five [illegible] [illegible].

Respectfully

Wm R. Rotch Jr

[illegible]

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New Bedford 4mo 29. [illegible]

T. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Are their any
parties at your place or district
who are about contracting for the
Carriage? if so, we should like to
give them a good gauge- If there
are any who will make their
money payable in Boston we should
like to give them a price.

Yours truly,
For Wm. J. Rotch Jr
L. A. Plummer

383½

New Bedford April 29. 1852.

Bourne Spooner Esq. Treas'r

Dear Sir. I have been on the point of addressing you for several days, but have been so much and so variously occupied as to be unable to do so. Your Agent Mr Tucker told me after you left here that he still considered himself at liberty to repeat the operation by which he took from us one of our ships the "Arvolda" — This you are aware was done by giving terms lower than either you or I could do by the laws of the association — As I then informed you, when here, I was not very well pleased at that our gross violation of our Boston compact — and as you will readily infer I am not likely to be even as well satisfied with its repetition — I confess therefore that I am much surprised that you should have left this city without giving your Agents here such instructions as would put such a repetition beyond the reach of a possibility — and have therefore to request that you should at once put this matter right or permit me to place it where it can be properly attended to viz upon

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New Bedford 5 mo 3. 1852

Messrs Kendall Richardson & Co.

Gents

We have completed the A gang and will send it along as soon as we get the right direction from you -

Yours Respy

For Wm J Rotch Treasr

L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 5 mo 6 [illegible]

John Deane Esq

Dear Sir

We send it to day 7 bolts Cordage A 1506 lbs which please ship by first conveyance from Boston for the Messrs Kendall Richardson & Co.

Yours Truly

L A Plummer

R. [illegible]

The above were sent Boston Saturday [illegible]

New Bedford 7mo 3. 1852

Messrs. [illegible]

Dear Sirs

We have en-
closed the A yearly [illegible] with
[illegible] it along as soon as we get
the right direction from you—

Yours Respectfully

[illegible] Treas.

[illegible]

New Bedford 7mo 6 1852

[illegible]

Dear Sir

We send you [illegible]
[illegible] A 15.00 [illegible]
[illegible] by the [illegible] from
[illegible] for [illegible]

Yours truly

[illegible]

[illegible]

Box 797 P.O.
Philadelphia

New Bedford May 5. 1852

J. H. Towne Esq

Dear Sir, I omitted to ask you yesterday whether you would be willing to agree that the Gas Works should revert to the City at the end of [illegible] years from [illegible] day of [illegible] provided the City should so elect and on the just valuation of cost. As for the term of the contract between the City and myself I think it a matter of no importance one way or the other, but there may be some of the Council who think otherwise. Mr Congdon agrees with me. We have a meeting of the Council next Monday eve and I think they see that a definite answer is given. I have but little doubt of the result but should like [illegible] to receive your answer if the [illegible] anything before that time. [illegible]

Yours truly
Wm Rotch

No 197 P.O.
Philadelphia

New Bedford May 8/1842

J.H. Towne Esq

[illegible]

New Bedford May 6. 1852 [?] –

Bourne Spooner Esq Tres[?]

Dear Sir – Your favor of [illegible] [illegible] is rec.d You misunderstood mine [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by referring to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] they [illegible] [illegible] would be so. I [illegible] the [illegible] of such a [illegible] [illegible] But [illegible] of no consequence now – and [illegible] before the [illegible] [illegible] of their diplomacy –

You doubtless remember that when you were here a question was raised [illegible] to the probability of Lord & Swift [?] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 1/4 of their Share – [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] our price on Monday last [illegible] on Tuesday were informed by them [illegible] they had rec.d [illegible] prices from [illegible] [illegible] I this morning called on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] found that they had also given [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] prices which they [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at about the same time [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] had [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] that he [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as he had [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] he could do [illegible] then he [illegible]
[illegible] in good [illegible]
[illegible] Wouldst not have
[illegible] Wouldst not have [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] there is [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] they had [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] of getting things
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] can give [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Any other lot must be returned — Please
pay at once to the Stage Deliverer only
the Boston law and insist upon your
doing the same —

Yours truly Wm J Rotch Treas

New Bedford 5 mo 6 1862

B. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Yours favor of 4th came duly to hand and contents noted. We will see you in Boston between the 20th and 25th inst and make some arrangement in regard to future sales. We now have sent a list of our lowest 6 mos prices at which we hope you can make some good sales for us.

Russia Hemp Cordage	11c
Manila "	13½
[illegible]	10½
Houseline & Marline	18

Credits from Average Dues or 4½ off each for labor prices we added 5% on Hemp Cordage & ½ cts per lb on Manila.

Yours truly

For Wm J. Rotch Treas

L. A. Plummer

[illegible] — Please [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

New Bedford 2 mo 1852

R. B. Haskell Esq

Dear Sir

Yours favor of [illegible] came duly to hand and contents noted. We will see you in Boston the 20th and 25th inst and make some arrangement in regard to future sales — We now have [illegible] of our [illegible] [illegible] hope you can make some good sales for us.

Russia Hemp Cordage 11
Manila 13½
Manila [illegible] 12
Russia & Manila 14

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford Feb 6 1852

Messrs. Kendall Richardson & Co.

Gents

Your [illegible] inst came duly to hand [illegible] notes. We supposed from yours [illegible] that you would [illegible] since you wished the gang [illegible] from Boston or we thought [illegible] us on Saturday last. We have [illegible] the gang to-day as ordered [illegible] and have enclosed invoice of the two gangs.

Yours Truly,
Fr W. J. Rotch & Sons
L. A. Plummer

New Bedford 8 mo 7 1862

Isaac Baker Esq
39 Comm'l St. Dear Sir

Your favor 4th
& Mr Evans did not come to town
till last evening, owing to his
absence from the city. We send
by 8 Boston today the balance of
the Manila Cordage ordered by Mr
Hall. The list differs somewhat from
the list given in your favor of 4th
Should any more be required for
the ship we will send it down
at once. John Dean the freight of
Bbl & Prov M. R. will deliver the same
to the ship.

Yours truly
For Wm. J. Rotch Jun
L. A. Plummer